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PIONEER DAYS.

Jesse Looney of Tennessee, First Settler on the Santiam.

Recollections of the Days of Yore—Life in the Santiam Valley—Mrs. Dr McLoughlin—John Kelley of Springfield.

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Jesse Looney's ancestry came from the mountain region of East Tennessee. He was born near Knoxville. There was good yeomen's blood in his family, such as attains the highest place in our nation's history. He was a cousin of Andrew Johnson, and like him inherited slavery as one of the local conditions of his section, but adopted freedom as his conviction of right. Among the pioneers were many who left slavery behind and came to Oregon to found a free state. Among these were John P. Gaines, Joel Walker, Jesse Looney and all the Applegates. Mrs. Looney's ancestry came from South Carolina and Georgia and included George Walker, who was a signer of the declaration of independence. So the family had noted connections with our nation's history. They were married when quite young in the state of Alabama, and the same year moved to Green county, Mo., where they lived from 1830 to 1842, when they removed to the Osage river and owned land there. This location was unhealthy, and when they heard of Oregon they determined to come hither. They lived four miles from the Applegates and must have had the same inducements that actuated them and the Waldos. The Looneys were well equipped for the plains. They had two great wagons with five yoke of ox-en cattle to each. Their teams were so fine that they often took the lead to break the way. They had enough spare oxen for another team, also twenty or more head of choice cows and four very fine mares. One wagon was loaded with provisions. They had a great wagon load of meat, packed solid in the bed. One wagon was made tight so as to be used as a boat in case they should ford streams. This precaution was very valuable to all this company, as they could ferry a ferryboat at short notice. So abundant was the supply of provisions that they brought some through to the Willamette after standing many dividends to needy people on the plains.

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There were fourteen calves born in the spring of 1844, at Whitmans, and when the stock went to the Willamette they had that number of cows to milk. They had no market for butter but they made it and gave to their neighbors. They had no milk pans and set their milk in wooden troughs dug out of blocks of wood, a dugout as way to run a dairy. But in those times people did as they could. We must remember that the cattle there were out and in grass there were no such small and thick undergrowth, a second growth, as we see to day all over the country. Then the rolling hills were smooth as the prairies. Pioneers who now meet and talk over the early times call to their recollections many events that are interesting, and may be so. The world to-day reads with eagerness the records of that time and the world that may exist centuries hence will read of those days and incidents just as eagerly.

THE WIFE OF DR McLOUGHLIN.

Alex. McKay was one of the partners of the unfortunate Astor expedition, and after building Astoria he went on the ship Tonquin to Vancouver's island and was a victim of the terrible massacre of that ship's crew by the natives of that region. He was married at Sault Ste. Marie, to Miss Bruce, daughter of the master of that post. Her grandfather was also an officer of the fur company, and married a Red river woman, so Mrs McLoughlin has one-fourth Indian blood in her veins, but that was of the most intelligent of all the native tribes. She was very attractive in person and had graces of mind and heart that won and retained the devoted love of one of the greatest men ever in the Hud on Bay service.

Dr McLoughlin was given charge of all the region west of the Rocky mountains. This comprised an immense territory inhabited by savages. He had under his command hundreds of men of all classes—Canadian-French, half-breeds and Iriquois Indians, and often Indians of this region—many of whom were scarce higher in the scale of civilization than the natives themselves. While he was strong of mind and purpose and had wonderful powers of control over such rude men, he would often be so outraged by their misconduct that he would inflict a terrible penalty in hope to restrain others by so doing. No doubt, as he was passionate, he was sometimes unreasonable in his judgments. The world saw them reversed and leniency shown without knowing the cause, but the little grandson, who was left early motherless, saw that grandmoth r put him in pleas for mercy that never failed to con ba milder judgment. I must have been a remarkable woman who could influence that master mind and persuade the man against whose judgment there was no appeal.

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Dr. W. G. McKay was the grandson of Alex. McKay, and being left motherless at a very tender age, was brought up at Fort Vancouver by his grandmother. She was all a mother could be to him, and the good doctor himself is remembered by D. McKay as always kind and faithful. The little grandson saw and heard the pleas for mercy, and realized the wonderful influence Mrs. McLoughlin possessed over her strong minded husband. He, whose word was law and whose rule arbitrary, looked to this woman for his highest counsel. Many a time when his overhasty prudence imposed some heavy penalty she indited he time when occasion lost away to put in her plea for mercy, and never pleaded in vain.

It is a pleasure to hear Dr McKay, when past life's prime, recall scenes at Vancouver, and tell of Mrs McLoughlin's many deeds of mercy. He says she lived to do good to others. The doctor reverenced her wishes and was governed by them. She deserves most honorable mention among the pioneer women of Oregon, and only a woman of remarkable traits could by kindness and prudence have maintained a wise control over such a man as he.

JOHN KELLY, OF SPRINGFIELD.

Mr John Kelly, of Springfield, Lane county, Oregon, was a resident of Wisconsin, but when the Mexican war came that territory (as it was then) raised no troops for that service, so he went to Missouri and there enlisted. The regiment he was in saw no active or great danger, but the young man showed his patriotism by volunteering to serve his country. When the regiment disbanded, he was footloose, and soon went to work in the quartermaster's department of the rifle regiment, and crossed the plains to Oregon with that regiment in 1849. He wintered in Oregon City, and took a contract to supply the regiment with beef. In the spring of 1850 he went south with a band of beef cattle for the regiment. Lassen was just ahead of him, the way cut he general stopped to make a treaty with the Rogue river Indians, who had been hostile. The treaty did not improve them much as they had to be treated with again the next year as Lassen were quieted until subdued and moved to another section of Western Oregon.

They drove the cattle south and brought them back to Oregon City to sell to an American who had ferry or college of music on a big and scale, with Theodore Thomas at its head, but it was only three or four months ago that these rumors were transmitted into reality and took the more definite form of a permanent institution. Mapleson's Italian opera were being mournfully brought out from the recesses, deported in a state of dejection on the sidewalk and carried away in trucks, while numerous porters were constantly arriving and carrying into the academy the gorgeous and glittering furniture of the nouveau-prune and boxes filled with the richest and most superb costumes. The warfare between Italian opera as represented by Mapleson, backed up by conservative "old family" subscribers to the Academy, and German opera as represented largely by the newer elements in rich and fashionable society, which maintained the Metropolitan opera house, began over two years ago. The first winter the struggle seemed likely to terminate after the manner of the "Shilkenny cats' combat, for both sides were nearly used up at the close of the season. However, the losses were made up by assessments, and the struggle was renewed last winter. German opera at the Metropolitan came out rather ahead that time. And this season the Italian opera seems to be in a fair way to final disaster.

It is a great revolution from the old order of things when Italian singing was solemn supreme in New York. Even four years ago it was almost an impossibility to hear one of Wagner's music dramas in the metropolis. But next week two of them will be given on the same evening "Lohengrin," by the American Opera, and "The Meistersinger" at the Metropolitan. The conflict of the two schools and the collapse of the Italian company have at least been very useful in one respect: they have opened just in the nick of time a field for American opera.

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In the line of fun it is has never been undertaken in this city than the one which is now on the threshold of its career. At the head are a number of rich ladies and gentlemen in various parts of the country, so that it is by no means a local affair. Among them are Mrs. F. B. Thurber, Mr. and Mrs. August Belmont, Wm. K. Vanderbilt, Henry G. Marquand, Henry P. Higginson, of Boston; Howard Hinkle, of Cincinnati; A. E. Stripp, of San Francisco, and Frank Thompson, of Philadelphia, and the Pennsylvania railroad. But it is well known that Mrs. F. B. Thurber was the leading spirit in the undertaking. For several years past we have heard rumors, from time to time, that some mysterious person or persons were about to sail over to America with a theatrical company already under pay. Well, it costs a pound to sail, and I am assured that $1,250,000 would not suffice for the operations. But then the projectors have got plenty of money and are in no hurry about the return. They don't even expect these first forty nights to return them any income. They are content to lose that much money for the sake of the experience. They don't even expect to get back a little bit. They have begun to talk quietly and seriously about the players which were in conjunction with the movement of my friend's birth, and then remained "there" when you were quite young—lost a mother or something of that kind. He left town to go to Wisconsin on the different routes, thus laying the most magnificent foundations for future success, saving enormous freights, stealing away with the better portions of the stage, collecting and packing up the finished scenery. The most expensive stuffs have been selected, such as silks, materials worth a good deal more than their weight in gold. And just now there seems to be lots of that gold for

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DENNY'S DREAM.

A Story of the Tunnels Away up in the High Sierras,

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(Written expressly for the Sunday Oregonian.)

"You're a fool, thot's phat you are, Denny, to be quittin' now afther wurrekin' hard for the months wid nothin' more to pay you nor bacon an' beans, and maybe a new pair o' boots wanst in six month s."

The speaker was a powerful, dark complexioned Irishman named John Mcturk, well known all along the Sierra Nevada mountains as a hard-working and energetic, though intemperate fellow. He was as swarthy as a Spaniard and as brave as a lion, and, notwithstanding his fondness for drink, the fellow's rough nature was full of excellent traits. When the little camp of Nip and Tuck was reported to have been entombed in an avalanche, "Black Jack" shouldered his long-handled shovel and cramped it three inches over snow three feet in depth and through a trackless forest, on a midnight in March. His liberality toward his countrymen who had been less lucky than himself in the search for gold, was proverbial in that section of the mountains lying south of Feather river, and formerly part of Sierra county, but now ceded to Plumas.

"Well, Jack, I dinna I've warreked hard enough for nothin' to last me for a wholle. I'll go over the pass to Virginia an' thry me hand on the Comstock ledge. The wages is five dollars a day there, an' whin I've saved up enough I'll come back again."

Such were the utterances of Mr Dennis Breen, a small but wiry Irishman, with red hair and freckled face, who sat across the supper table from "Black Jack," to whom he afforded a striking contrast. On his left sat Bartholomew Callahan and on his right Peter McGlone, also partners in the Athlone tunnel, as it was called. These four gallant fellows had been for eight months driving a tunnel under a high sugar-loaf mountain, sometimes through hard rock and sometimes through treacherous sands that bid fair to cave in and engulf them on a living tomb. They had now worked a few days over nine months, in search of an ancient river bed, when that the first dollar of reasonable value in any way, and whether any certainty of reward in the future. Up to the evening in question (for they had just finished their frugal supper as this conversation began) not a whisper of complaint at their long deferred recompense had escaped their lips, but now that Dennis Breen had spoken about abandoning the enterprise, the ice was broken and each was free to ventilate his opinion. "Bat" Callahan was the next to speak.

"Sure, ye ought to have thought of this before, man dear. Do you remember phat was said the day we filed notices of it in ground, and you and Jack went up on the hillside to cut all the timbers while Pete and myself gave the first stroke of the pick in the Ath one?"

"I remember it very well. It was the devil of watchwork to get it—all for one and one for all," said Dennis.

"Much regarded you paid to it then," growled Peter McGlone.

"I simply say that I am unable to go any further with the wurrek, said Denny, in a matter of facking. "I give up all I have put in as concerns its profits to come and count my own the loss. You three are entitled to whatever it pans out."

"Yes," growled Pete, "an' who is to pay the bills at the store?"

"I'm ready to pay me shares of the bills to-night, Pete," the shtore is four miles off. I'll go down and pay it in the morning early."

"Well, yer a 'divil to be quittin' anyhow," grunted McGlone.

Breen's face grew fiery with anger as he exclaimed "My mother was a good woman before God, whether she is in heaven the night or in hell I don't know, God save her from harm, and she never brought annie fools into this world, nor cowards aayther."

"Don't be talkin' of your mother, Denny," shouted Peter, as he sprang to his feet, his face as red as fire. "Take back what you said or I'll knock your head off."

"Sit down, you fool," cried Callahan, as he pushed Peter back into his seat. "Denny, you're a brave man, and no coward, but you're wrong to speak as he did to Denny, an' Denny had a right to keep on after moving him."

"I'll have no fighting," he said, and both men took their seats again. They were both wrong, and knew it. Pete was

THIRTY-FOUR YEARS AGO.

Old Pioneer's Recollections of Early Times in Oregon

A Jay Ride from the Upper Willamette Valley to Rogue River and Beyond—Notes by the Way

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H. W. S. THE DRAMA

It is one of the marvels of literary history that the greatest intellectual energy of various periods during the last twenty-five hundred years has organized itself in the form of the drama, or has expressed itself through dramatic forms. The drama has its origin in contests of rival writers before popular audiences. The prizes were public applause or more substantial rewards. At first the treatment of subjects had narrow range, but it was gradually extended until it was made to include the highest problems of life and mind, of man's origin, his history and his destiny. It was found that in the form of the drama expression could assume the freest possible range, and it could produce effects intense and real beyond those of any other style of composition.

Thus, the drama has always had a wonderful hold on the popular mind. The stage has passed through every phase of regard and contumely by the conservatives of the public conscience, and its experience is no less varied than that of the church, of which it is too often regarded as a rival and an enemy. It has been fostered and persecuted in turn by both church and state, its artists have been honored, persecuted, branded as outcasts, even martyred, yet to-day the stage and drama are probably more universally popular than any other existing institution. What is the reason of its puritanity? and is there really any antagonism between it and the church? Men and women cannot go on age after age giving their admiration to that which is destitute of merit, especially after the thing has been analyzed by philosophers, anathematized by sectaries and criticised by every grade of intellect. Each succeeding generation finds fresh delights in the drama, and to-day there is no more popular recreation than that furnished by the stage.

The attacks on the drama have become sporadic, and are of a shape more intended by those who make them to draw attention to those who as "reformers" had themselves neglected when they talk of other things. Even yet, now and then, some puny leer rises in his might to hurl the old-time anathemas at the stage, its actors, its managers and patrons, but he secures nothing more than momentary attention either from the press or the public.

Apart from the sentiment that finds expression through the drama, there is an innate love of art in every mind, and the stage presents a series of pictures that please the eye and excite the imagination. The costumes, scenery and transformations appeal to an inherent love of the beautiful and wonderful, and gratify an instinct not amenable to codes or creeds. To this is added a portrayal of passions which every one feels more or less distinctly. Fity, hope, fear, love, hate, revenge, gratitude, ambition, avarice, courage, open march in stately procession across the stage to their logical triumph or catastrophe, and the heart is touched with a sense of seeing and reading a possible destiny of its own. Then to the sense of the grotesque the love of the humorous in word and action, which even the dullest feel, more or less dimly is pleasurably moved, and the spectator is laughing into good humor with himself and all the world. For these and other reasons the drama always has had and always will have a strong hold on mankind.

It is a powerful auxiliary for moving the mass of men more intimately associated with the religious life of the people. "Time was when," says a recent writer, "mutual obligations, in the noted scenes, the tragic events, and the dramatic representations which made part of the old public life and were instituted more for the amusement of the populace than for the glorification of individuals (certainly the love of scenic splendors, of mimic contests, of tragic incident and of original display has been sufficiently exhibited through all the centuries and all ignore it. In our large cities theaters are crowded a $2 50 a seat, while the pews go begging; and the eyes of the clergymen go wandering drearily over the empty space." Some day perhaps an offensive and defensive alliance between the congenial elements of the religious and dramatic forces may become possible, and should it ever be realized, religion will become more popular and the drama purer.

THE SPECIAL DELIVERY SERVICE

The special postal delivery as horized by the last congress has now been on trial within certain limits designated, for a space of three months. From the first it was apparent that many changes would be required to render the service efficient and worthy of general approbation. The postmaster-general announced in his annual report that the public accepted the system with favor, and that it affords a privilege to its patrons which is very convenient, and as often of much value. Taking the ground that if the privilege of immediate delivery is desirable to the public at some offices it would be still more useful if afforded to all, it is the official opinion, as expressed by this document, that it would be wise to take such steps as would expand it to the utmost limits of the postal service. It is recommended also that its provisions be so modified as to apply to all mailable matter thus largely enhancing the value of the system to the public, and affording a revenue that would justify its extension to every office in the country.

The question of Sunday delivery is one of the most perplexing that has attended the working of the system thus far. The regulations say nothing upon the subject, hence postmasters act upon their own discretion and as a result, immediate delivery is effected in some cities, while in others it is not. This leads to fault finding, and causes confusion that would be avoided by uniformity of method. Upon this point the official opinion is that so long as mails are allowed to carry letters on Sunday, it operates a denial of the obligation of the government, for which it has accepted a special fee of five times the price of the carriage, if the specially stamped letter be not delivered according to law when brought into the office by the mail. In this city the messengers are not on duty and no letters dropped out under the special stamp on Sunday. The business of the system is not so large, nor is the dependence of the people upon it become so onerous here to cause the discretion exercised in the matter by the postmaster to be made a subject of complaint.

Much difficulty was experienced in making the public understand the provisions of the law concerning immediate delivery, the chief stumbling block being the regular postage stamp which is requisite in addition to the special stamp. In a majority of cases where disappointment has resulted in the attempted use of this stamp, it has been due to the belief that the regular stamp was not required when the special stamp was put on. The business has shown a steady increase from the first week, almost from the first day of service here, and though it cannot yet be reckoned large, or even in a general sense important, it has been found of such great convenience and benefit in many cases that the public would not willingly dispense with it.

The postal system of the United States has recorded no "retrograde movement." It has steadily met the increasing demands made upon it, by business by intelligence, by the general progress of a great nation. The special delivery service is another advance step, made with the caution that becomes the expense involved and the interests to be served, and though crude as compared with what it will be after a few years of experiment, corrected at various points as occasion demands it is up the line of advancement, and will in due time gain a firm foothold among the necessities of a progressive people.

It has been no unusual fate of pretty and an heiress American girls who have married titled foreigners to receive decorations, a black eye being the most common form of distinction bestowed. An exception is recorded in the case of Lady Churchill, the pretty New York girl who won an English title and who recently received a decoration from the queen in recognition of her services as a politician in the tory interest.

A LESSON OF EXPERIENCE

As American shipping interests began to decline just after the close of our civil war, British supremacy on the high seas—in a commercial point of view—began to assert itself for the first time in a half century. Not only did American underwriters give the iron hulls of England the preference over American wooden hulls for the carriage of grain (which was right enough so far as delivery of cargo in good condition was concerned), but they gave them generally lower rates of insurance upon hull and tackle, which is by no means a ruling on the side of safety, for the number of iron ships lost with all on board, and nothing heard from them, is a fearful percentage upon the total number afloat.

With such a ruling in their favor as the above it is easily to be seen how the British iron propeller, with Elder's compound engine, should have displaced the comfortable walking-beam side-wheel steamer of twenty five years ago, the most comfortable (though not the fastest) ships ever built for ocean travel. There was an interval of about eight years in which there was no effort made to imitate the new-fangled British jigger, and then John Roach began to "carry the war into Africa" by building the Colima and Granada, the first ships built of iron with hulls on the American model and engines on the British pattern. This was the beginning of a new era in American steamship navigation, of which we are not far from the noontide. Mr Roach then built the great steamers City of Pekang and Tokio, which were fast enough, their only fault being that their rivets were too small to strengthen their hulls. That fault he has long since remedied in later vessels, which have proven too swift for any competitor, and strong enough for any weather.

The latest triumphs of American steamships are those of the Alameda, built by Cramp of Philadelphia, who built the State of California and Queen of the Pacific. She had a race with the British steamer Zelandia, always a fast ship in heavy weather, and which left San Francisco four hours ahead of her. The wind blew a gale from the southwest on the day following her departure, but in spite of that the Alameda reached Honolulu six hours ahead of the Zelandia. The latter ship had no freight, and she was only detained six hours at Honolulu, while the Alameda was eighteen hours in port. In spite of this she beat her Zelandia twelve hours to Auckland and sixteen to Sydney.

The second signal triumph of American steamship work is the recent voyage of the new steamer Alamo from New York to Galveston. She is one of five vessels built for freighting rather than carrying passengers and, moreover, as all the Texan harbors are excessively shallow and require to be navigated by vessels of comparatively light draft, it necessitates building these ships of rather full model, thereby making speed a secondary consideration to buoyancy. The Alamo is therefore a large carrier. On her last trip she left New York at 4 15 P. M on the 19th of December, and arrived at Galveston at 2 A. M on the 29th. She stowed down for fog four times during the passage, and then made the run (for deducting stoppage to take pilot at Galveston for, in 5 days, 18 hours and 50 minutes, the total distance being 1896 miles. This is at about the rate of 13½ miles per hour, and the last day's run through comparatively shallow water, to say nothing of being under "slow bell" at least twelve hours during the log. Her captain is confident he can make it in 5 days and 12 hours if he has good weather all the way. It is the best record by 9 hours and 15 minutes.

Another good test of American built steamships is the voyage between New York and the island of Cuba. Prior to 1880 four days and three hours was the fastest trip ever made between the two cities until the Quaker City scored four days from dock to dock. In 1880 the Evening Star made it in three days and nineteen hours, and a few weeks later in the same year the Moro Castle, also a New Yorker, made it in three days and fifteen hours. This is the fastest ever made by a sidewheeler. Since the Moro Castle was thrown she has been followed by both British and American steamers, none of which had beaten three days up to the famous exploit of the City of Pueblo in 1883, when she made the run from New York to Havana, against the Gulf Stream current for over half the way, in 2 days hours and 45 minutes. The distance is 794 miles, so the rate is about 13½ miles to the hour. The fastest trip prior to that was by the Newport, of the Cromwell line, which made it in 3 days and 9½ hours. Both these were American steamships, built on the Delaware, and it begins to look as if "Rule Britannia" would soon be a song of the past in American steamship builders improve as much in the next three years as they have in the past five. It would go hard with John Bull to be beaten at his own game, but it went equally hard with America from 1865 to 1880. Nevertheless she has learned, in the words of Shylock, to "better the instruction."

A LESSON OF HARD TIMES.

Walla Walla county records show an unusually large transfer of real estate during the past year. The *Journal* of that city mentions as an encouraging sign of a return to a cash basis that three-fourths of the mortgages entered were canceled during the year.

It is believed that the prevalence of hard times for another year or two would work very satisfactory results in the matter of canceling mortgages on Willamette valley farms. The financial stress of the last two years has not been without its wholesome lesson, teaching the practice of small economies, without which it is impossible to make farming pay anywhere, and especially in a region that has no manufacturing population to support it. Chinese labor is so long been a part of the industrial creed of the eastern agriculturist that no one knows when it was laid down. The practice in the west has been to despise as parsimonious the little savings that have been the basis of prosperity to localities where a living was for years wrung from the reluctant soil by the most patient endeavor. Indeed the soil of the west, generous to prodigality, was in itself some excuse for the relaxation of effort that was so necessary in other sections. There was long no market in Oregon, there is yet no adequate market for its surplus of perishable crops. It was so easy to raise enough to live on that there was absolutely no incentive to effort that involved hard work. The transition from raising barely enough to live on each season to trusting to the abundance of the next year to supply the deficit of the present was natural and easy. The result has appeared all over Oregon in farms heavily encumbered with debt, in discouraged men, in anxious women, and in thriftless, discontented children, whose one determination has been to leave the farm at the first opportunity.

There has been, however, a noticeable improvement in all of this within a few years, and as before observed, hard times has had a shaping hand in the matter. Poor Richard's maxims have been found to be quite as useful in the great and exacting domain of thrift as they were a century ago. The practice of running store bills as in years past, to the embarrassment alike of debtor and creditor, has been discontinued at the behest of necessity. Instead of hardship, independence has resulted. Habit can scarcely be said to be formed in the short space of two or three years, so that a boom at this time would overthrow many of the lessons taught by recent experiences, but a boom is fortunately no among the probabilities of the present or the immediate future. A steady growth in prosperity, among the farmers and wage earners of the state, may be reasonably expected, dating its commencement from the sudden financial stress that substituted real for fictitious values and set the people to economizing at the very night pay their thoughtlessly incurred debts and live within the small surplus that was left to them.

The interest bearing debt of the United States is now $8160 larger than it was one year ago. This increase was caused by changing accumulated interest into 4 per cent bonds. Under direction of the present administration on money has accumulated in the treasury, but there have been no payments on the principal of the debt. The Chicago *Inter-Ocean* says that "Beck's speech gave the administration such a shock as to cause it at once to change its policy and begin to call in bonds. Such a raking from such a source was one of the unexpected things, and it waked them up like a dynamite bomb found on the front doorstep."

THE OHIO LEGISLATURE.

The reassembling of the sixty-seventh Ohio legislature is made the occasion of a good deal of quite pardonable self-congratulation on the part of the people and the press of that state. It is scarcely possible to believe the boast of the Columbus *State Journal* that the present assembly represents more people than he first congress of the United States. Ohio, with between three and four millions of people, is now as large in population as the Union was in 1786. It comprises all of the belt between the river valleys and the lakes, through which alone there is communication between the East and West. All the great corporations of the land are therefore interested in Ohio legislation which has in times past been the precedent for other states. But with all her unrivaled resources "Ohio men" have been the great product of the commonwealth, and the legislature has been the hot-bed of their development. Many of the great names of American history have stood on the Ohio legislative rolls. Mention ship in a legislature, if it were rightly considered, is a portion of great honor, no a stepping stone alone, but a place calling for the full force of developed powers and the strictest integrity. It is recalled that Garfield and Schenck and Corwin were not young men when in the legislature. The reluctance of men of age standing and character to take upon themselves the duty of making laws is one of the serious evils of the present time. Our legislatures are often half made up of men without character, capacity or responsibility, and jobbery is a natural result.

The plumber has had a discouraging season of it so far in this city. Not that he has been all unhappy. There was the high school building that hung on until late in the fall, and careless servant girls have managed the waste pipe of the sink about up to the average and his profits last year leave him still a margin to calculate his running expenses on for several years. Besides he is just now casting his weather eye hopefully toward the clouds that promise a possibility of snow, with a freeze sufficient to demoralize unprotected water pipes.

For the year ending June 30, 1885, there was a total of 70,225,624 pounds of newspapers and periodicals mailed at twenty of the principal postoffices of the United States. From which it appears that the people devour current literature by the ton. New York heads the list, with Chicago second, Boston third and Philadelphia fourth, leaving St. Louis fifth in rank and 5,431 085 pounds behind Chicago. The amount of postage collected on this enormous bulk of printed matter amounted to nearly a million and a half dollars.

The Albany *Democrat* "don't like THE OREGONIAN's style of dealing with its contemporaries." THE OREGONIAN supposes that it deals with its contemporaries very much as they deal with it. Many of them habitually use filth with great impunity and rarity, and sometimes with high relish, if reports, character considered, is they deserve. But to those that deal in such with it, it is uniformly courteous in return.

LITERARY NOTES

"Looking" W. W. Astor's new novel is now in its third edition.

"High Life" the sequel to Mrs. Cashel Hoey's novel published by Messrs. Hurst & Blackett, is reported to be from the pen of a daughter of Mrs. A. D. T. Whitney.

Dr. Schliemann, the famous explorer of the ancient Troy, who resides in the city of Athens, has two children, and their names are Andromache and Agamemnon.

The "Diamond Dick" series of dime novels has received a letter of thanks from Buffalo Bill, which was given to him by the widow of Barry Carhall, to whose mother it was addressed when she was a girl.

Frank R. Stockton has just finished a novel which will soon be published by Charles Scribner's Sons. It is the only novel he has ever written, and it will make its first appearance in book form, instead of running through one of the magazines as a serial.

Mr. Charles Lowe's historical biography of Prince Bismarck, which Cassell & Co publish, a preface has been written by Prof. Smith, of Columbia college. This biography gives a connected account of the chancellor's entire career. It comprises two volumes.

The first volume of Messrs. Hutton & Mathews's work, "Actors and Actresses of Great Britain," is now ready for the press, and Messrs. Cassell & Co will issue it as soon as it can be printed, though there is still one sketch unwritten—Mr. Austin Dobson's article on David Garrick.

A third copy of Charles Lamb's privately printed "Pestyny and the Beast" has turned up in England. A dissenting minister named Fickell found it among some old books on a bookstall and purchased it for a few pence. The volume is in excellent condition and the hand-painted plates are said to be perfect.

In London a week ago was offered for sale Pope's copy of Milton's poems, with autograph notes in Pope's own hand. One of these notes says of "Comus" that "there are several excellent lines in this masque and very lively images. Another item in the day's sale was the autograph manuscript of Pope's "Pastorals."

Pall Mall Gazette: Mr. Browning will not give up his house in London for some years not till the hospitalities and incomparable delights of the sandy city grow a burden too heavy to be borne by advancing age. Then his Venetian will have a shelf of him the Piazza London life, and he will wish, maybe, to rest a last in that and where the bones of Keats, Shelley, and his own wife lie.

A new edition of the works of Mr. John Morley is in preparation by Macmillan & Co. It will be uniform with the editions of Emerson, Kingsley, Lamb and Gray. It will comprise eight volumes, one of which will be published each month. The first will be the "Voltaire," which is announced for January. The author will revise the volume of "Miscellanies," and will add to it some new essays. The "Life of Cobden" will not be included in this edition.

Mr. Whittier dislikes, for himself, biographies and biographers. "Of course I am glad," he said to a recent visitor, "to have the tell my friends anything about me they care to know. I found it so in Burns's case. Everybody went about him after he is dead seems to me worth very little. I have never thought of myself as a poet in the sense in which we use the word when we speak of the great poets. I have just said from time to time the things I had to say, and it has been a source of surprise to me that people should pay so much attention to them and remember them so long."

The January number of *Lippincott's Monthly Magazine* appears in an entirely new dress. A handsome cover has been designed for it by Mr. George Fletcher Babb, whose white parchment, the surface, printed in red and black, presents a very attractive appearance. The typography is also entirely remodeled, hideous colors have been done away, and a new, clear bold face type is used. The contents remain in excellence, but all good "Gath Hutchinson" needs is a serious reform in a younger manner, as a sower of which will appear in the February number. The magazine from the pen of Mr. Lippincott Bailey Norris begins a new serial, "A Bachelor's Blunder." Belmeler Matthews gossips about the future literary caliphate of the United States, and there are poems by Philip Bourke Marston, Louise Chandler Moulton, etc.

Some fifty years ago the *New England Magazine* filled an important place in the vision of literature loving New Englanders. Its editors and contributors included the best representatives of the culture and thought of that day and its bound numbers contain an important and interesting part of many a cultured home. Under high auspices there now appears a magazine with the old and honored name. It comes to us as the successor—or rather an enlargement of the *Lucy Stark Monthly*, a periodical with its merits wonderfully rapid advances in public favor. The *New England Magazine* enters the enlarged field with a display of resources and an outline of plans which seem to justify the expectation that it has before it a successful future and will worthily bear its historic name. The number before us presents a most attractive appearance, within and without.

TRESPASSERS.

At last we are having something that begins to look like winter, with a dry and frosty atmosphere and tempering in the gutters next to the side-walks. Up to Wednesday night we had been in the open winter known to Oregonians since the first Americanization (if I may be permitted to use the word) of the country. On Christmas day I counted in a small garden on Seventh street no less than sixteen varieties of rose budding or in full bloom in the open air, while chrysanthemums were as thick as bushes could grow. And on the 22d of December a gentleman in my near bellwood came into my office and handed me a sprig cut from a Lawton blackberry bush in his garden, containing nine snow-white blossoms, three red blackberries and two ripe ones black as coal. I got a large potato, cut off each end of it, hollowed it out like a finger, and, putting the sprig of blackberries into it, fastened up the ends again and mailed it to my aunt in New York, as an exemplification of the glorious climate of Oregon. If she should start out here now to spend the winter, as a relief to the bitter cold of Gotham, she would probably catch as fine a norm of these frozen days and I would be ready to exclaim, "Just my luck."

A properly owned in this city for whom I entertain the highest degree of respect, writes me that he "read my article upon 'Prohibitory Rents'" in last Sunday's issue, and asks me why I do not write something about prohibitory trespass. He says that rents are based on the interest upon money invested in buildings as well as taxation, insurance and street repairs. He says that insurance is higher now than it was during the boom of 1882, when rents were so high that many respectable people belonging to the labor class were compelled to take lodgers into the houses in order to meet the exorbitant demands of the creditor class. For my own part I do not know whether insurance is high or no, as it only costs me $14 per year, and I am not as well qualified a judge of such matters as a man who owns ten or a dozen houses. My own idea is that here should be some legislation had upon the question of insurance by which a policy issued for one year should hold good for one year unless the company can show attempt at arson or other fraud on the part of the assured, and that no policy, unless such fraud be shown, could be cancelled except by consent of both parties. And further, that no increase of premium should be allowed on account of increased number of buildings on the block, until after the expiration of the policy.

This seems to me a far more important matter than the mere rate of insurance. When I go to insure my few hundred dollars' worth of household plunder, the rate of premium is not so much an object as the certainty in my own mind that, if my house is destroyed by fire and my furniture with it, I will get the money, and that the rate means safe business and payment of policies without demur. I am for high rates. But I think that no man who has a policy on his house or furniture should have that policy vitiated during the term for which it was issued by the fact that some of his neighbors go to work and erect a big, infernal combustible box like that in Smith and Taylor's block that a match can rush to heat some sensation that the Rev. Mel Nichols, Sunday greeter of Mrs. Hospital's "Stumpsreich" A Dutch, in the Burgum building would start, and burning shingles that the barn gain had raised. If a man sets his house afire in order to rob the insurance companies, they can in favor fair to pay, can sue the policy, bring the policy-holder to the bar of justice, and strike the checkers with his nose. But unless one hand is found to be shown, I can see no just law that should allow a man's property to be cancelled by contract solely of his own volition. Therefore no equity in any proposition in which one man makes the bargain for both.

We don't hear much about the water works business now a days, a bunch Mr. Schuyler's able letters very much in which appear in the public prints, to call the corporation together. How is this "fifteen puzzle" going to turn out for Portland? Is they calculate on the Willamette river water, they might as well drink it at once and save the city the expense of the right of way for a pipe line. Portland pays for water from Willamette straight and just as soon pay four dollars per month to Bernard Goetzen Only it will say that it is when, at the rate the fires when Hen Owens starts fun to furnish water from the Portland gas of the Tualatin in 1918, I propose the petition of Jim Green's worst enemies to put a stream fire engine on Front and start some one dollar upsetting thrill and shattering that echoes in the public fingers of Gen. Joseph Teal. They will a pure fellow brudder!

But Col. John must not think he is going to get rid of Saint Henry putting roads as all that. The emaciated cherub of the swamp and overflowed land system has still a card to play. It is fortunate by for Col. Green, as it also the owner of gas works as well as water works, the entire profits of which up to 1881 have been reinvested in endless and improvements in the plant. Having been checkmated in the water fight of 1878, Saint Henry smarts for revenge as it is ready to "let loose the dogs of war." He is the owner, in connection with Congressman Charley Felton, of California, of some 7,000,000 acres—more or less—of swamp and overflowed land. Now these lands contain a certain kind of rich illuminating gas known as *tule lights* or "jack-o'-lantern" also known as "will-o-the-wisp." I learn that Saint Henry has employed Edison to produce a machine for collecting and storing the gas, and will be able to furnish it at 50 cents per thousand, fuel to consumers, which is lower than Mr. Green can manufacture it. He has to pay $3 per ton for Newcastle coal besides 75 cents' import duty and the freight as well. Henry's swamp lands will give us cheaper light, and his revenge will be a complete one.

The marriage of ex-Judge Terry, who slew Senator Broderick in a duel, to a woman whom he counts have already branded as an adventuress and a forger, is the sensation of the hour in the California papers which have come to my table in the last two days. It is more than twenty six years since that fatal occurrence which did more to cow the saving California to the federal union than any other two causes that could be named. Had not the democratic party in that state been shattered from stock to lock in 1860 some secession in favor of the stump of Buena in 1861, would have secured not only the Pacific coast but Benicia and Alcatraz island, but the San Francisco mint as well. At that time the yield of gold was nearly three times what it is now, the semi-monthly shipments via Panama, being never less than $2,000,000, hence it is not hard to believe that a million and a half would have given at least four millions of gold to aid the rebel cause. Broderick's death was the key stone to California's position in the arch of the Union, and the men of California revere his memory for it—that was proven by the election in 1860 when Judge Terry has been twenty years in attaining the eminence of infamy in a common thing for a judge to pronounce a severe sentence, but it is not every day that a court commits to chief along the show" by furnishing the crime himself.

If Judge Terry was this proud, sensitive man that he was on the day when he penned the challenge to the awkward Broderick to meet him in an encounter whose issue depended solely upon a trick of the weapon, he might become convinced at the comment which these days of purity and reform are sure to provoke. Not only from individuals in private life but from loud-mouthed public journals as well. But he cannot, for he would not have, after burying so many years ago one of the most reprehensible Christian wives that ever blessed a Christian state with her presence married a woman whose name has been coupled with every possible indecent epithet in every decent newspaper and variety drive a wedge at whose sole interest for the past two years has been nothing but soiled linen a woman who sued for a divorce from her husband on charges of conspiracy and a woman who will have the little child, given to demonstrate the effects of a wedge of children's contempt. Oh, no, he cannot, for we have learned enough of which by the new social order can teach Judge Terry's feelings. The man who can after hearing the evidence in that case marry the woman whose rejection led to such exposures, is proof against either in action or taste. But as the hide of the rhinoceros with the conscience of the shark.

My story about the railroad passenger agent in last Sunday's paper has provoked a friend to send me a number of stories about the same individual. He is a "passenger agent." One of these stories is old and I will not repeat it, although it is connected with the truth of the completion of the Central Pacific, that we will call Mr. Galena, though his real name deserves a harder and sharper epithet. When the rains came on from the south these "early arrivals" go down to the O. & C. depot to carry on their usual business of gentlemen and ladies from the "Brooklyn of the Pacific" who are about to go east for a visit to "the old folks at home." This work brings them to the west side depot at 2 45 and the east side at 3 in the afternoon. Near the east side depot is a lager beer saloon, where these "rushers" must do congregate while waiting for the train from the south. The measure of the Gambrinian liquid is a Teuton, of course. The other day he looked through the crowd of solicitors and saw the face of a new mind—our own practical citizen whom we will call Mr. St. Kitts. He asked somebody:

"Where is Musther Galena?"

"He is dead," responded St. Kitts.

The German's face assumed a blank look of horror. He merely ejaculated:

"Vas?"

"He's dead," repeated the hobbushing joker "died this morning at a quarter to 8."

"At vos der mayte nit him?" queried the surprised son of the Vaterland.

"Pneumonia," replied the villain. "He was only all a little over ten hours."

"Mein Gott in himmel," cried the tender-hearted publican, "I told dot man last night he vood hit for himself dot dose cir of fitness, for he dond shtop sedrink by dot stove old den go in der cold for himself and dear house loud. He vas a good man until he owes me a toller and a half. Don't too bad is."

"His estate is perfectly solvent," said St. Kitts with imperturbable gravity. "I have been appointed administrator by the probate court, and there is enough to bury him handsomely and pay all debts."

"Ven vill come off dot funeral?" queried the grief stricken Schwerhedt.

"Day after to-morrow," said the joker. "Come around and be sociable, take a drink and have a look at him—he's going to make a lovely corpse."

"All right," said the sorrowful publican "and I spose dot's petter I make oud my bill, and it?"

He took a pen and made out a bill for twelve dozen of beer and seven lunch sausages and when suddenly the southern train whistled and all the gang left the house.

The next day about the same hour Mr. Schwellheidt was upping a new barrel of beer underneath his counter, when suddenly he heard the fall of a dime on the bar and a familiar voice exclaim:

"Here, Dutchy, rouse up here and give us a glass of beer. I'm nearly shook to pieces with this cold."

The terrified publican looked up only to encounter the gaze of the veritable Galena himself, standing six feet in his stockings and boasting his 212 avoirdupois.

"You don'ds dood vafe no klassper in dis house," cried the terrified landlord. "Dot's peen you roost glear mad."

"Some some beer, I tell you. I'm willing to pay for it. And here, while I think of it, here's a dollar and a half. I've owed since last week," said Galena, wholly unconscious of the joke that had been played during his absence from town.

"A dollar and a hollub" that's nodings. If you dwo dollars to go into away out von der fowess. We don'd vand no ghosts here to frighden der peoples und bring in der police reports und break up der plisness. How apout dot funeral, onnahow?

It was a long time before Galena could explain to the excited publican that he was not dead, but had merely been to The Dalles for a couple of days, posting up some placards for the "Royal Route" at the instigation of the emaciated Mendo. The pun was finally accepted his debtor's offer of $1 50 that had been tendered him and they had some more beer. Just then one of the gang entered, exclaiming:

"Hey, Dutch, ain't you 'fraid to be drinkin wid a ghost?"

"He don'd look dead—vell, dot makes me lafe."

"How dy'e know he ain't dead?"

"He don't neet nuttin as Shakespeare says in one of his plays, and he don't neet no more beer."

And that finished the crowd began to file in and they had a great laugh over the joke that had been played on the beer seller, who took it all in good part and set out the lager for them and in style. There was one man, however, who was not there on that day, nor has he been there since. It was the joker, St. Kitts. Both friends awaiting him in other localities in vain to put up a there for some time. Hurrying home at night, beating more cloud in his wife and waiting for the things to blow over. The Tuolumne scrap.

"Out of ever dot man comes around he a, I yust put a headt on path his handts."

And he'll do it, too. Don't go around there, Mr. St. Kitts, if you know what's for your eye. Walla Walla. That gentleman received an extra rush in his yesterday's mail, thereby necessitating a visit to Salem, from which he returned this morning.

The old saying that one half the great work in the world is how the other half lives, finds its exemplification in our city at this season. One might think with such different meet, apparently well to up, and capable enough of supplying many offered itself, came in and asked for work. It is to be hoped enough to keep them alive. Three of them went off to restaurant but the other fellow I met in a fearfully overdone condition about two hours afterwards. A stranger thing than that happened here not long since. A man begged for a meal at the house of a friend of mine, and was fed liberally. He said he would do anything if he could get work. "Would you saw wood?" asked the lady. "Willingly," said the man, "but the trouble is that I have no back nor saw." The lady looked at him a moment, wrote him an order for the hunk and saw, and told him to call at the house and let her know how much the bill was. She saw nothing of him for two weeks, when he came in and handed her $2—the price of the hunk and saw at the same time thanking her for her kindness. Such men are worthy of being helped.

There should be a public soup-kitchen established in some central location, and that right speedily, for there are more cases of destitution in the city than most people are aware of, and a majority of these are among the humble and class who rent a little place with barely enough money to pay a single week's board. A poor fellow told one of the visiting committee of the Ladies Relief society: "Yes, madam, this is a very delightful climate, but a mechanic cannot live on air." The man was a skilled workman in an iron foundry in Canada sent but immigrated out here on account of pneumonia, of which he has had four severe attacks in the last seven years. "I would be willing to work for a dollar a day," said he one day, "just for the sake of regaining my health in this mild climate, but I don't see any show for bare bread and meat. On Sundays in every rich lodge here, thirty cents and for skilled labor is so easy to assemble. And see it will no doubt some man with capital and energy enough to work up the flax fiber that grows in the ground, or to set some other busy wheels in motion."

For some cause best known to himself there," that distinguished expert in penmanship from Idaho, Mr. Hubbard, has not yet been called for his Kleptomaniacal chirography by which "Uncle Sam" is out and in debt to the tune of several hundred thousand dollars. His case has been postponed from day to day, for some cause or other. Some say that there is no money to cover the expenses of his extradition, as the last congress only appropriated $5,000 for that item purposes and it had all been expended up in other cases occurring prior to this date. They will be compelled to postpone the case until after congress makes some appropriations. My own idea is that they are waiting for the arrival of some expert to determine their genius, and have sent up for Isham, of Walla Walla. That gentleman received an extra rush in his yesterday's mail, thereby necessitating a visit to Salem, from which he returned this morning.

NEW TO-DAY.

NOTICE—OWING TO THE VOLUME OF PRIVATE business which increases so daily, all packages must be left at the office before 10 o'clock A. M. to insure delivery the same day. PORTLAND TRANSFER CO.

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Extra Large Huckaback Towels (per doz) .. 75

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Fine Jerseys all sizes (each) .. 50

Ladies' Fine Fur Sets—muff and cape (per set) .. 2 25

Lace Curtains (per pair) .. 1 00

Nottingham Lace (per yard) .. 10

This may seem to be a trick of the trade; as such statements are rarely relied upon as true, but as we endorse it with our signature it is hoped not as a check with our name attached.

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PORTLAND Jan 9—6 49 P M

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Olympia	30.24	00	42	S	10	Lt
Roseburg	30.28	01	49	Calm	00	Fr
Red Bluff	30.10	04	47	Calm	00	Fr
Sacramento	30.19	-03	44	Calm	00	Fr
San Francisco	30.16		51	N	00	C
Fort Canby	30.19	00	43	SE	00	C
Walla Walla	30.0	-01	48	SE	48	Cldy
Umatilla	30.36	-03	2	NE	00	Clr
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Minimum thermometer 26 maximum 4

OUTGOING PASSENGERS.

The steamship Columbia sailing hence carries the following passengers

J C Ellis	Mr Drew
W E Terrill	W Trip
E A Willig	W E Welt
J J Bean	J C Bothwell
Ike Blumauer	V Friebeck
T Smart	R Lewis
J Loewenberg & wf	B Latz
M Levy	Mrs Thomas
Miss Thomas	Master Thomas
E B Ingmaner & w	Mrs Eli a Hazenberg
Miss Ella Goodman	C C Bromaugh
C A Noonan	D D Griffith
J E Mack	S Stencil
H B Batten	J Sheridan
Leon Sweet	S Simon
Joseph Simon	D Honeyman
D L Jones	C P Sichel
W Willand	D Dunne
W E Coey	Ed S Rochchild
F Simpson	S L Parmer
J Cushing	W Beck
Miss E Pratt	Mrs G A Wiley
Mrs Thomas	Mrs Sarah Fish
Mrs Wm England	Miss May Stull
Miss E Wheeler	Miss Wood
Miss Belley	Miss Armsbury
E H Greely	H E Sattmarsho
A Bettinger	E Hughes wf & child
J E Taylor & wf	J H Griffith
F McKeon	M B Hinkle & wf
M Wise	J A Rosmarine & wf
O Clark	Miss Nellie Clark
H L Darr	Mrs Chamorro
Pete Samonite	Geo H Miers
Frank McGaw	And 25 in the steerage

OVERLAND PASSENGERS.

Passed Huron to arrive over the Northern Pacific—S O Richards, J W Wolff, R Thompson, Ed Turnbull J W Orr, and 30 immigrants

Passed Huntington to arrive over the Short Line—W H Stutliff, Tom Bameron R Smith, H E Bryan, J H Gustin and wife and 6 immigrants

CHURCH NOTICES

Trinity church, corner of Sixth and Oak streets—Services at 11 A M and 7 30 P M Sunday school a 9 45 A M

Taylor Street Methodist Episcopal church, Public services morning and evening Sunday school at 12 15 Young people's prayer meeting, at 6 30 P M

Norwegian Lapish Lutheran—Divine services in Good Templars hall, southeast corner of Third and Alder streets at 11 A M and 7 30 P M Rev N G Nilsen pastor

Westington street Trinity church, Rev Lindsley pastor, Rev E P Ives will preach in the morning and the pastor in the evening Strangers welcome Seats free all

First Congregational Church corner Second and Jefferson streets—Divine service morning and evening at the usual hour conducted by Rev G H Atkinson, D D Sunday school after morning service.

German Methodist church, corner North Eighth and D streets, Rev F Bohn pastor preaching at 11 A M and 7 30 P M Sabbath school at 1 30 A M Prayer meeting every Wednesday night.

St Stephens Chapel, corner of Jefferson and Fifth streets—Divine service will be held in the chapel to-morrow at 11 A M and 7 30 P M Rev John Rosenberg officiating Sunday school at 10 A M Seats free

Unitarian Church—Corner of Yamhill and Seventh streets, T L Eliot, minister The sixth Historical discourse Sunday evening is entitled "Herod and Hatred" and the rise of the "Irreconcilables" in Jewish politics.

First German Evangelical church, corner of Eighth and Clay streets—Services Sunday, January 11th, at 11 A M and 7 30 P M Sabbath school at 9 30 A M Preaching by the pastor Rev A Schlenk. The public are cordially invited to attend these services

Scandinavian M E church corner of D and Twelfth streets—Preaching by the pastor, Rev C N Haugs, 11 A M and 7 30 P M Sunday school, 12 15 P M prayer service, 6 30 P M Prayer meeting every Wednesday night. All are invited.

Grace M E Church, corner of Taylor and Eleventh streets—Preaching by the pastor Rev J W Caswell at 11 A M and 7 30 P M Sunday school at 12 o P M Prayer meeting, Thursday evening at 7 30 Seats free. Ushers in attendance

United Presbyterian church, corner Sixth and Montgomery streets, Wm R Stevenson pastor—Services at 11 A M and 7 30 P M Sunday school at 12 30 and young people's meeting at 3 30 P M The communion service arranged for will be postponed until next Sabbath

The Rev A L Lindsley, D D, will preach in Calvary Presbyterian Church, on Sabbath morning at 11 o'clock in exchange with the pastor, Rev E Trumbull. Also Evening services in Calvary church as usual at 7 30 o'clock conducted by the pastor The public is cordially invited to attend. All the seats are free.

First Christian Church—Columbia and East Park streets, J W Webb, pastor Morning subject "Hope" Evening "Salvation" Sunday school 12 30 Prayer meeting Thursday 7 30 P M Young People's Society to hold at residence of Mr J H Robbin's 290 Mill street, near Twelfth, Tuesday evening at 7 30

First Baptist church, corner of Fourth and Alder streets—Rev J Q A Henry, pastor Preaching services at 11 A M and 7 30 P M Sunday school at 12 30 The pastor will preach evening subject, "The Baptists of Jesus." Baptism at the close of the service Gospel meetings each evening of the week, excepting Saturday Seats free All are invited

Advent Christian Mission rooms corner Second and Mill streets—Elder J J Smith will speak (D V) Sunday at 11 A M Subject, "For if the inheritance be of the law it is no more of promise but God gave it to Abraham by promise" Gal 3, 18 Services will also be held in the evening All are cordially invited to attend.

Hall Street M E church, corner Hall and Birch streets Class meeting 10 A M Preaching at 11 o'clock, A M Sunday school 12 15 P M children's meeting 4 P M Gospel singing service 7 P M Preaching 7 30 P M. Tuesday 2 30 P M consecration meeting 2 30 P M young people's meeting Thursday 2 30 P M, general prayer meeting Free seats to all A hearty welcome to everyone

BAPTIST PULPITS

Zion Evangelical church Stephens addition—Rev C C Ewing, pastor Usual services both morning and evening at 11 and 7 o'clock Sabbath school meets at 10 A M

"Experience Hall Tibbets' adoption—Divine services each Sabbath, January 10 at 11 A M Session by Rev. D O Chromley Sabbath School at 2 30 P M All are invited

St. David's Episcopal church, Rev John W Sellwood, rector—The regular services will be held both morning and evening at the usual hours Sunday school meets at 9 45 A M

Methodist Episcopal church, Rev S P Wilson, pastor—Services at 11 A M and 7 P M Reception of members at the close of the morning service Sabbath school at 1 30 o'clock

First Baptist church, corner Third and Yamhill streets, Rev C H Hurt, pastor Regular services at 11 A M and 7 30 P M Sabbath school at 12 30 o'clock. All are invited Strangers made welcome

First Presbyterian church corner of Sixth and Oak streets, Rev D O Gilchrist, pastor Divine services on Sabbath, January 10 at 11 A M and 7 P M Sermons by pastor Sabbath school at 12 30 Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7 30 All are invited

First Congregational church, Holladay's addition—Rev Daniel Strawn, pastor Services both morning and evening, at the usual hours. There will be the reception of members and communion service at the close of the morning service. In the evening the pastor will endeavor to answer the question, "What are the evidences of a Christian life?" Sabbath school meets at 12 30 o'clock.

IN AND ABOUT PORTLAND.

The police force were paid off yesterday, and there is much joy in consequence

Mr and Mrs J Loewenberg left for San Francisco last night to be gone for some time

Regular meeting of the board of trade to-morrow night at 7 30. Business of importance and every member wanted on hand.

The divorce suit of August vs Virginia Costel has been referred to Geo E Chamberlin as referee to take testimony and report.

Mrs O E Seeley, mother of Mrs W A Wilcox and Miss E A. Seeley, of this city, died yesterday at her home in Sacramento, Cal

Hon Joseph Simon and Mr Samuel Simon left last night for San Francisco, on a visit of pleasure, to be gone about three weeks

Licenses to wed were issued yesterday to John Geyer and Emma Ford, George Pritchard and Mary Shermeir, and Herman Rockritz and Matilda Linston

After reading the weather dispatches from Dakota and Minnesota this morning the people of Oregon ought to be thankful that the wind is not in the east.

Parties holding invitations from the Portland Skating club, will please meet at the pavilion to-morrow night Admission free A full brass band will be in attendance.

Judge Stearns yesterday appointed H M Cake assignee of the estate of He Sing, an insolvent debtor, in the place of D P Kennedy, deceased Cake was required to give a bond of $1000.

The remains of Edward S Smith were shipped to Winona, Minn. yesterday, by the Northern Pacific railroad They were accompanied by A C Smith, and Frederick Smith, son and a daughter of the deceased

Mr Orlando Clarke, senior partner in the Portland Iron works, left by the Columbia last night for San Francisco for the benefit of his health, which has been poor of late He is accompanied by his daughter, Miss Nell Clarke

Several days ago Mary Hodges brought suit in the state circuit court for a divorce from Joseph Hodges The parties have settled their differences, so yesterday the complaint was withdrawn in Judge Stearns' court and the case dismissed

Mr J V Andrews, a prominent banker of Frankfort on the-Main, has been in the city for several days and last night for San Francisco He is a large stockholder in the Northern Pacific, and he combines with pleasure a look at his investment.

Gustave Winkler formerly a bookkeeper for P Selling, has sued him for $540 which he alleges Selling owes him since they had an accounting September 19, 1880, and for $165 which he says was given to Selling for his (plaintiff's) use January 2, 1882, but never paid to him

In the county court yesterday, in the matter of the estate of Elnora Harvey, deceased E W Cornell D W Wakefield and C G Ames were appointed appraisers and allowed until Saturday, January 16, to file their inventory and appraisement. The only other business transacted was the passing of bills

It is suggested that during the opera season a car be in waiting to carry passengers west from the Casino at the close of the entertainment If other roads would run one or two cars an hour later than at present, and make it known that such would be a regular thing, the increase in travel would show itself in time

Coroner Cooke has telegraphed to the relatives of James Goodwin, the old man who died suddenly several days since, but has yet received no answer Several old settlers of Portland and acquaintances of the deceased have, however taken the matter in hand, and the re mains will be given a decent burial. Coroner Cooke received a dispatch last night from Winona Minn, signed Mary L Wakefield, instructing him to hold the remains for further disposition

SHIPPING NOTES

Cape Hancock Jan 9—4 1 M—Rain smooth weather cloudy wind southeast, velocity six teen miles Astoria Jan 9—Arrived down at 10 A M, Alice, with British bark Kimy Ockin Isma with ship Wm H Starbuck Sailed up at 4 M Church with British ship Lord Cumming 1 00 P M, Alice, with British bark Glenogle schooner Premier left up this morning

CHINESE WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS

A writ of habeas corpus sued out to procure the release of Ah Fat, convicted some weeks ago in the police court for smoking opium, was argued and submitted before Judge Deady yesterday Zera Snow appeared for the petitioner and A H Tanner for the city of Portland The object of the suit is to test the constitutionality of the ordinance which makes it a misdemeanor to furnish a person for smoking opium in his own room

SUIT ON A NOTE.

The Pacific Mutual Life Insurance company of San Francisco, yesterday instituted suit in the United States circuit court against W W Spaulding and J M Gilman to recover $4,199 on a joint promissory note executed October 1 1884, payable in one year with interest at 8 per cent The insurance company allege that the note is overdue and that Gilman and Spaulding have neglected to pay it

SIXTY DAYS FOR DESERTION

Sylvester Stock, a young man who deserted from the British ship Comedre a week ago, and took up with some sailor boarding house runners, was arraigned in the United States district court yesterday on a charge of desertion He entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced to serve a term of sixty days in the county jail, to be discharged in the event of his agreeing to rejoin his vessel Whether or not a few days or weeks in the county hotel will bring young Stock to time remains to be seen At present he says he will not return to the ship

THE CASINO REOPENING

The Casino people have made every preparation for their reopening to-morrow night. Half the house has already been reserved and of course there will be a crowd All amusement goers know about "The Mikado" and the Thompson Opera company and they know just what to expect The number of people who want to drop in and be amused once or twice a week is surprisingly large and there is no reason why the full time popularity and prosperity of the Casino should not be revived now It will be a long time before Portland will see a better balanced and uniformly excellent company

FORECLOSURE OF MORTGAGE ORDERED

Yesterday in the case of A R Knollys H H and Emeline Blessing Judge Stearns signed the report of the referee, and ordered that a mortgage on lot 1 in block 288, East Portland, be foreclosed On November 19 1883, Blessing and his wife executed the above mortgage to Hobart, Wood & Co, of San Francisco, to secure a claim of $2850 Of this amount Blessing made two payments, one of $400 and the second of $220 Hobart, Wood & Co transferred the note to Knollys, their bookkeeper who on April 15 last commenced suit to recover the balance due, amounting with interest, to $2,247 60, together with attorney's fees and got judgment

AN OLD SUIT FOR COSTS SETTLED

On the 5th of November, 1871 Dr Paul M Brenan sued Frank Hobin in a justice court to recover a certain amount of money, and was beaten He then appealed the case to the state circuit court and on a trial got a judgment for one dollar Notwithstanding Brenan won the case in the state circuit court, the costs, amounting to $84 95, were taxed against him, for the reason that J M Geary, Hobin's attorney promptly made a motion to that effect, and Judge Reed, first as attorney failed to object Hobin then asked that an execution be issued for the amount of the costs to collect the costs from Brenan, and on Brenan's death, which occurred not long since Hobin took the claim to the administrator of his estate and it was disallowed Dr Nicklin, who is the administrator, intended to settle the matter, on the 22d of September, 1885 brought suit in the state circuit court to compel Hobin to show cause why execution issued for the collection of the costs should not be issued Yesterday Judge Stearns allowed the injunction and ordered the execution for the collection of the costs stayed

OPIUM SWINDLER.

A new scheme for making a raise came to light last evening and to take it all through it is not a bad one About three weeks ago a young man arrived from San Francisco bringing with him a lot of boxes presumably filled with opium The boxes were all sealed, contained the usual Chinese characters, and the following description in English "Imported steamer Oceanic, Street Red & Co five inches square" Nobody appeared opium by the well known firm of Red Yuen And the edge of the boxes was the usual custom stamp of the date of October last and signed F W Keating for the Collector of the port of San Francisco The boxes, on leaving steamer were found safe and sound in the custom house and delivered to the consignee, a Chinaman by the name of Ah Sam, a merchant of Portland Certain it is that he was the owner of the opium, and that he was in the habit of disposing of the opium stuff ever since he arrived in Chinatown at the rate of four dollars a box but was last night trapped up by police Harkleroad on complaint of Ah Sam, a China man who had been victimized by the fly swindler who had been victimized by the fly swindler The young fellow on his arrival at the police station took matters very coolly and admitted that the stuff he had was a fraud and a delusion. He said besides getting the best of the Celestial he had treated four boxes of the bogus opium to Frank Gatens for a silver watch and had sold the watch for $1. The way the young man undoubtedly worked the scheme was to procure a lot of opium boxes that had been used, clean them and then remove the cuts on stamps with steam, then fill them up with the flour paste, seal and label them, and then affix the stamps, etc As the packages were bought without being opened and from the description on the outside had every appearance of containing opium, he has no trouble disposing of them

EARLY MORNING FIRE.

An alarm of fire was sounded at 1 15 this morning for a small blaze in a dwelling house at the southwest corner of Sixth and Pine streets, owned by John O'Conno, the produce dealer, and occupied by Alfred S Baker The fire was discovered in a room in the center of the building on the second story by Sam Baker, a daughter of the occupant, who, with some friends, had just returned from a party It probably caught from a chimney running from the lower story, as no other cause could be assigned Mr Baker is insured in Sibson Church & Co's agency Mr O'Connor is also said to be fully insured damage nominal.

TREE FELL ON HIM

About 5 o'clock last night a middle aged man named Patrick Toohey put in an appearance at the county court house and asked of medical attendance He was walking with the aid of crutches, had his left arm in a sling, a broken back, and was otherwise generally used up When asked the cause of all his mishaps he said he left Portland Thursday morning and went to Forest Hill Spur, where he engaged with a man named Beach to cut down trees Toohey did not prove to be an adept at this sort of business as the first tree he cut down fell on him, using him up as above stated. Toohey used himself up as best he could after the accident and then took the first train leaving for Portland. He says he formerly worked here and there, but of late has been traveling from place to place doing whatever he could get to do

CHARGED WITH STEALING BREWERY WORTH $1 50.

Old Michael Mooney, who lives on a scow down near the boneyard and who is not unknown around the various courts, yesterday received the usual order of things, appearing as defendant instead of the defendant. Last May Michael was the happy possessor of a piece of wire rope valued at $1 50 It disappeared and was at length found by Michael Lindt who claimed ownership. Both parties lived on the same scow and Lindt charged Mooney with the theft. Justice Reed held him to answer in the sum of $50 and Mooney was released on bail. Lindt alleges that Mooney has since stolen a quantity of lumber and has refused to give it up, asserting it was more the piece that Mooney claims he lost, but was his own Mooney waxed wroth and swore vengeance and, repairing to Justice Davis's court, had Holland arrested on a charge of larceny. The case remained in the county jail pending the trial which will be held Monday morning at 10 o'clock

THE TABBI STORY EXPLODED

Friday an account was published in the *Evening Telegram* that a vessel had been found in a cabin on Sauvie's island with letters in the possess bearing the name of T A. Clarke, Portland The parties who found the cow and letters convinced themselves that they had discovered a clue regarding Theodore A Clarke the painter who so mysteriously disappeared from here about two years ago Their theory has, however, been exploded by Dan Howe He states that he has a cabin on a little island near the mouth of the Gilbert river, which he put up about three months ago Every now and then he goes down to shoot ducting, and on the occasion, recently met a young Irishman hunting too, he discovered a letter from Thomas A Clarke, who is also a painter He says he left the coat in the cabin for future use and has it was that it was found with the letters or papers in the pockets bearing the name T A. Clarke

SUPERIOR WAGES

Judge Desmond commenced on a libel in the state circuit court against John B Garrison to collect commissions and damages that from January 1 1881 until the 24th day of August, 1882 he worked in the realm at the rate of $1 per week, earning $93 and receiving but $3 50 leaving a balance of $91 50 This from special statute and request of the defendant at the rate of $3 a week, the value of the same being $3 40, and that he only received $2 82½ leaving a balance due of $1 07½ Further, that a the special in served the defendant from Oct 6th, 1885, until the 1st day of December, for which he was to be paid $2 a week making for the time $8 75 Of this sum was paid, leaving a balance due of $60 Wherefore plaintiff prays judgment for $1185 1 with interest and costs

CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC

All lovers of music will be pleased to learn that Mrs Wetzell and Miss Ott have established a conservatory of music in this city where instruction in all branches of vocal music will be given Mrs Wetzell, finding herself unable to attend the large number who have applied to her for instruction, has found it necessary to associate with herself Miss Ott, who will assist her in the work of the conservatory Both of these ladies have been heard in this city, and have shown that, besides having magnificent voices, they have received the highest musical culture from the best masters and are pre-eminently qualified to make a success of the musical profession Their well prepared opium by the well known firm of Hi Yuen And the edge of the boxes was the usual custom stamp of the date of October last and signed F W Keating for the Collector of the port of San Francisco The boxes, on leaving steamer were found safe and sound in the custom house and delivered to the consignee, a Chinaman by the name of Ah Sam, a merchant of Portland Certain it is that he was the owner of the opium, and that he was in the habit of disposing of the opium stuff ever since he arrived in Chinatown at the rate of four dollars a box but was last night trapped up by police Harkleroad on complaint of Ah Sam, a China man who had been victimized by the fly swindler who had been victimized by the fly swindler The young fellow on his arrival at the police station took matters very coolly and admitted that the stuff he had was a fraud and a delu-

NEW PROPRIETORS OF THE GILMAN HOUSE

The Gilman house corner First and Alder streets in this city is the latest transfer in hotel property. Last night the property changed hands, Mr C C Gott on Mr Fred Closky with the consideration in the transfer the goods and property. Both these gentlemen are well known in this city, Mr Gott having been for a number of years the popular proprietor of the Occidental hotel, and Mr Closky was formerly clerk at the Esmond house With the experience of each and their personal popularity with the traveling public it is safe to predict that the Gilman will be in future as it deserves its first among the hotels of Portland Certain it is that it will be conducted in first-class style and the wants of the traveling public carefully looked after

NOTICE—On account of the rush of work and also many parties failing to have cards portraits made by Towne & Moore, at the reduced rates offered before Christmas the same price will be continued two months longer

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

A Record of Society Events of All Sorts During the Past Week.

The Weddings, Parties, and Personal Movements of City and Suburban People—News Notes of General Interest.

Mrs A. Bilger, of this city, is visiting friends in Jacksonville.

Mrs N G Blalock, of Walla Walla, was in the city during the week

Miss Emilie Bauer of Walla Walla, returned to her home on Tuesday last.

Capt Frank T Dodge paid a brief visit to Eastern Washington last week

Miss Mary E Sax has returned from a pleasant visit to friends at McMinnville

Mrs Ed Whitsell, of North Yakima, is the guest of Mrs. John B Allen, of this city

Mr H H Brodeck and wife, of Walla Walla, have been visiting the city during the week

Mrs W B Ayer left on Thursday for a two months' visit to her old home in Bangor, Maine

G W Hunt, the railroad contractor of Corvallis, is at the Esmond with his wife and two children

Mrs Theodore B Wilcox, of this city, is visiting her mother, Mrs Bangerfield, in San Francisco

Brigadier-General Gibbon and wife, of Vancouver, spent a few days in the city during the week

Mr Harry McCartney, of Spokane Falls, has been visiting the metropolis a few days during the week

Mr and Mrs J I Booth, of Wahtsburg, Columbia county, are in the city removing to Portland soon to remain permanently

Col and Mrs. Adair, of this city, passed the holidays with Dr J J Hill, of North Yakima, on of Mrs Adair

Mrs Frank Pettygrove, of Port Townsend, who has been visiting friends in this city, returned home Wednesday

Lieut. Willard Young, corps of engineers, U S A, and family, of Cascade Locks, Oregon, are now in Salt Lake City

A pleasant party was given at the residence of Mr and Mrs. J C Moreland on Friday night to their son, Harry Moreland.

Hon Thos Jorgensen, of Walla Walla, has been visiting in the city several days, preparatory to returning to Washington city

Mr W J Plymale and daughter, Miss Kate Plymale, of Jacksonville, are in the city Miss Plymale will remain and a land school

Miss Emma Shepard, of St. Helens, Columbia county, is gone to The Dalles, Or, where she will permanently reside with her mother.

Mr and Mrs. P L Willis gave a pleasant party to a large number of young folks at their home at 249 Taylor street, on Thursday evening

Mr Frank J Northrop, of the United States engineer's office in this city has gone to California to remain a short time on a visit to friends.

Mr and Mrs Samuel Pickens, of Rock Hill, Linn county, celebrated their golden wedding January 1 They are respectively 71 and 71 years of age

Mr George E Thomson, of Huntington and bride, nee Miss Jennie Frisco, of Walla Walla, came been spending their honeymoon in the city during the week

Lieut. E H Bronke 1st infantry has been granted another month's leave of absence by the war department and will remain in this city several weeks longer

The last party given by the Nine Social club at Masonic hall was one of the finest affairs of the season A large number were present, who heartily enjoyed themselves.

Mr and Mrs E F Long entertained a select company at their residence, corner English and Fifteenth, on Monday evening last the occasion being the first anniversary of marriage life

Last Tuesday evening the Oak club gave a farewell dinner to Mr Milton Levy one of the charter members of the club Mr Levy, who has been in the employ of Murphy Grant & Co for years, took his departure for San Francisco.

Daily Bulletin, Mrs Wm England of this city will leave for California by the steamer which sails from Portland on the 15th inst. On the same day Mrs England will go to Oakland, where she will remain several weeks from there she goes to southern California to remain during the winter for the benefit of her health. Miss May Shutt and Miss Emma Wheeler will accompany Mrs England

Lieut. Col. John C. Bomford, of the Soldier's home at Washington, and his brother Col. Lewis Case Hunt, of the Fourteenth infantry, stationed at Vancouver, are the only two persons living, says the Kansas City *Times* who were at Fort Leavenworth at the time of its establishment in 1827. The father was a lieutenant in Col Leavenworth's regiment, the third infantry at that time

The protestant English family in the Howard family, whose head is the Duke of Norfolk, who receives an income the annual sum of ——, and whose revenue is about $500,000 a year His younger son, the Earl of Arundel, is a poor, destitute imbecile, and this penniless family have to support him. His income is ample to reflect that the name of Howard, thus belonging to the haughtiest of Britons, is but a corruption of Hogward, which proves that some of their ancestors must have been in very humble position

A large crowd gathered in Grand Army hall Friday evening to witness the public installation of the newly elected officers of George Wright post No 1, and of the women's relief corps of the same post Following are the officers installed for the George Wright post Commander, J T Wright S V commander, C G Staples J V commander, James Wray, adjutant, G F Conklin, quartermaster, J K Phillips; surgeon, J M Gorman, chaplain, Frank Story officer of the day, Geo C Sears officer of the guard, Jesse Burchman sergeant major, A B Borthwick quartermaster sergeant, J E Courtney Following are the officers of the women's relief corps installed President, Mrs G F Conklin senior vice-president Mrs Augusta Smith junior vice president, Mrs Malvina Worrick secretary, Mrs. Fanny Conaday treasurer, Mrs Alvina Bonnell chaplain, Mrs. Annie Cotter, conductor, Mrs Mary E Ray assistant conductor, Mrs. Adele Burchell guard, Mrs Tina Wright outside guard, Mrs Millie Morse

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Lithographing Printing and Book Binding Establishment

Only a few years ago this firm occupied a small room in THE OREGONIAN building from which they soon removed to larger quarters, but, in time, was inadequate to the demand for space, and now they occupy the whole of the second floor on the southwest corner of Front and Alder, being a room fifty feet wide by one hundred deep We had no idea of the extent of their business until we saw them, and to say we were surprised is but feeble We had no idea that such a business, but is presumably merely the assignment of a trust

It is the place paid for the late A H Johnson and R S Perkins, over four years ago, and the press it lead is presumably merely an assignment of trust But whether the amount reported in that deed be worth all it makes a splendid showing and is a grand beginning for the new year

The following is an analysis of the week's transactions

	Deeds	Amount
City	5	$ 8,450 00
County	5	1,500 00
East Portland	6	1,100 00
Albina	3	1,000 00
Couch's	1	1,000 00
Kamm's	1	300 00
	1	$11 450 00

MORE VOTING PLACES NEEDED.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE OREGONIAN:

I understand Judge Monahan proposes to divide the city into three precincts, to correspond with the three city wards, and thereby save the expense of a new registration Besides that, three justices are not too many for the city of Portland which has two circuit judges. Another point is that there are only nine precinct polling places. There are over 8000 voters in this city by the last vote The statute requires at least one polling place for every 400 voters in each polling place This demands at least sixteen polling places Couch is still wedded to two polling places. Three will not be more than enough, for the three days registration, as most of Couch-ites are laborers (and democrats) who must register in the morning after o'clock The people must at least have justice precincts and a east side polling place In their behalf I demand these Other wise an appeal to the people, without regard to party will be made.

VOTER.

HOW VIRGINIA CITY WAS NAMED.

LA CASAS, W T Jan. 8.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE OREGONIAN

In your issue of to-day it is stated that Virginia City, Nevada, was named after Finney, or "Old Virginia," the finder of the largest gold nugget on record. Prof Thos J Drummeddale, in his history of the "Vigilantes of Montana," says "It was proposed to call the new city Varina,' after the wife of Jefferson Davis, but the judge of the territory, having to vote on the matter, said he would be d—d if the city should be called after the wife of the enemy of the republic, and dated the document accordingly Virginia." As Prof Drummeddale was the historian of the time and place, and a spectator of, if not a leading actor in the stirring events which marked its early days it is to be presumed that his account of the origin of the name is authentic.

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PERSONAL MENTION

Henry Villard is still in Berlin, and his friends say he does not intend to return to this country now

A copy of the president's message, finely bound, is the most highly prized of Miss Cleveland's Christmas presents.

Mr Tennyson is one counsel to be announced in the London *Times* that he cannot answer the "unpermissible letters" that reach him

Victor Hugo sat for his portrait just before his death to Bonvin This has been bought by the French government for the Luxembourg gallery

The Louisville *Courier-Journal* thinks President Cleveland is a pretty fair judge of good plain English So the disappointed office seekers do not see

The women of France are said to regard the moonlight as more injurious to the complexion than sunlight, and that silk and yellow gloves will fade more rapidly in the moon's rays than in the brightest sunshine.

There is an ex-vice-president alive, it seems when every body has forgotten for many years—Dave R. Atchison, of Missouri who in 1849 was chosen by the senate to fill the place of Vice President William R. King!

Miss Ada Lee was elected circuit court commissioner in St. Clair county Michigan, at the last election, and the lawyers are trying to show that she can not act as a judicial officer in a criminal case and admit a prisoner to bail.

Mr Gladstone's election expenses were $2200 or about one-fourth the sum incurred in the election of 1880, but now as then, and in all previous elections, Mr Gladstone has contributed upon personally to contribute to the canvassing fund

The president subscribed $1000 to carry the New York election, $100 to the Grant Loan men, and wrote a handsome letter in aid of a monument to Hendricks, and he no doubt would do twice as much cheerfully for a monument to Senator Beck

Leopold von Ranke, how more than 90 years of age, presents the appearance of a man who never has taken any exercise and yet is in perfect physical health The grand old man historian has time in his library working for fifteen hours a day and he has laid out more work which he hopes to complete before he has hundredth birthday

DATE OF THE WHITMAN MASSACRE

PORTLAND, Jan. 9.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE OREGONIAN

To settle a dispute, will you please give the date of the Whitman massacre? PIONEER.

[It occurred November 29, 1847]

OLYMPIA NOTES.

OLYMPIA, Jan. 8

The following installation of officers have taken place here during the past week

Western Lodge No. 8 I O O F—S P Wyman, N G, J G. Lybarger, V. G., Thomas Hinchcliffe, P S, Robert Mart, R. S C R Talcott, Treas., O Matson, — G J. McCarroghet, O G R Frost, W Chas. Patterson, C P M. Jones, R S N to A. T. Kneedway, L S N, G W H Roberts, R. S. N. G., A. J Taylor, L S V G., trustees, W Ostrander, W H Roberts and A. J Treadway.

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George H Thomas Post No 5, G. A. R.—The following officers were installed on Monday evening by D G C Major J R. Hayden A. D Rogers, P P C, J W Hooper, P C L. W Ostrander S V C, W H Roberts, J V C, A B Cowles, Q M, W. H Townsend, adjutant S Wales, O D P M. Jones, chap, John Fry O G

Capitol Lodge, No 15, K of P—Brad W Davis, P C C A Bullock, C C E F Snyder, V C I Brown, P M Morris, K of R and S C J Kehoe, M of F, G B. Masterson, M. of E, Joseph Snyder, M at A. H E Turner, I G, W H McAleon, O G Ida officers of the above lodge were installed by C. H. White, D D G C

From being the exception, it has now almost become a fixed rule that when one death takes place in this city two or more seem to follow immediately if not on the very same day A few days since Mr Stephen Packer departed this life after a long and constant illness, and almost on the same day the little child of Mr Work, of East Olympia, died, followed the same day by the death of a Mrs. Gallesbe, and this morning Mr J. McCloud an excellent young man of the city, died of typhoid fever after a brief illness. This might not be considered at all remarkable in a large city, but in a small community such as we have here, it is looked upon as rather strange.

REAL ESTATE REPORT

The following special report of the real estate market is furnished THE OREGONIAN by J Irael Clark, real estate and stock broker Though in a quiet way, there is more active movement in real estate than has been witnessed for many months past. There seems to be more confidence and stronger confidence with regard to the time to come, for which there are abundant and valid reasons. The transactions of the past week, as shown by the county records, were 16, amounting to $117,481. It is over two years since any such showing as this has been made in a single week The corresponding week of last year showed 18 deeds, with a total of $11 707 It is only fair, however, to state that amongst the recorded deeds of this week is one, viz, fifty feet off to the First National bank, whereby lot 8 of block 1 of the city is conveyed for the sum of $45,000 does not belong to the present time That was the price paid for the lot to A H Johnson and R S Perkins by the bank two years ago The sale deal represents a business, but is presumably merely the assignment of a trust

It is the price paid for the lot to A H Johnson and R S Perkins, over four years ago, and the present deed is presumably merely an assignment of trust But whether the amount reported in that deed be worth all it makes a splendid showing and is a grand beginning for the new year

The following is an analysis of the week's transactions

	Deeds	Amount
City	5	$ 8,450 00
County	5	1,500 00
East Portland	6	1,100 00
Albina	3	1,000 00
Couch's	1	1,000 00
Kamm's	1	300 00
	1	$11 450 00

THE HOTELS.

ESMOND

A J Hetterly	Cedar Idg	R R Irvine	Missoula
J W Lane	San Fran	T H Anderson	N Yakima
Stewart	Dayton	J M Irwin	Boise City
John Rasmussen	St Paul	C W Young	Olympia
A V Fawcett	Tacoma	T H Cavanaugh	do
C J Heller	do	S G Scott	Eagle Cliff
do	do	G Cawdery	& wf San Fr
A Farmer	Forest Grove	A Hilborn	Seattle
W H Ott	New York	A Norris	do
A Jones	do	M Mauss	Chicago

HOLTON

Mrs Ford & dtr	Lewiston	J Johnson	St Louis
C A Lively	Baltimore	Edw Buckler	Sprague
W F Carstens	Dalles	R Smith	Pleasant Home
W H O Lewis	Wasco	E W Lake	S F
C E Bowman & wf	Cliffs	T F Chamberlin	Kalama
J S Rodgers	Boston	B F Mckinnon	Boston
H W Tifrell	Oakland	D F Hawley	Salem
A J Dewitt	Bentonco	I Merchant	Bentonco
H Freeman	Tendleton	I Wells	Dayton
A Tourley	Dayton	B Furer	Tacoma
S J Craig	S F	Jas Crombie	S F
T as S Samuels	Victoria		

INTERNATIONAL

H Toony,	Glendale M T	I R Robinson	Horse Plns
Gregh	Coeur d Lane I	S Cameron	Georgetown
R Collins	Gibbonsville	B F Patterson	Victoria
J H Daily	Lemb	T Clements	do
Norma	Kansas	James Clark	Pine Cve
H Gregory	Newport	I B Wells	Granville
I Silverson,	Dalles	O C Nelson	Heron
Wm McNamee	do	Andrew Canterell	do
R Corey	Glenda	John Fitzgibbon	Belfast
Walter	Silver Crk	R R Allen,	Rhode Isld
Baron	Baileyville	Dr Holmes	Miles City
H Patrick	do	B Marshall	Albany
Chas Casey	Vermont	Peter Geroux,	Quebec
H Ehrenfeld	Wa	Herman Padrick	do
Wm Cook	Fisher's Landing	E Morrow,	Bozeman
Wm Ogle	Dalles	Andrew Canterell	do

A REQUIEM TO 1885.

BY H. H. WALKER.

Read at a musical and literary entertainment given at Warm Springs agency, Oregon, on the evening of December 31, 1885.

I sing to the year, now grown feeble and old,
Whose white locks are frozen, with frost and the cold,
Whose footsteps now falter, and his eyes have grown dim,
And his ears scarce can hear this requiem hymn.
With what pride did he come, as snow on the ground
Deeply buried the grasses and bustles around,
Bring by sadness and sorrow to many a heart,
As animals perished with hunger's keen dart.
But a last came the winds, warm from tropical sands,
And melted the snows, and unfettered the bands
That for days and long weeks, had held in their power
The woodland and mountain the stream and the flower
Then spring came apace, with its bright genial skies,
And soft clouds sailed float, where the eagle oft flies
And hillsides grew green and covered with flowers,
Until fled by the cold where the storm tempest lowers
And though hearts were still heavy, yet cheerfully all
Went forth to the sound of nature's kind call
Then soon came the summer, with bright golden days,
And birds of the forest trilled forth their sweet lays
And fields turned to gold that late were green
To give plenty and fortune for the winter ween
Then harvest came on, with its toil and its song
For nature ran rife for a winter so long
Since the snows that fell deep, had nourished the land
Till it yielded its food with a boun iful hand
There was shouting and joy for the glad harvest home
There was glory from earth to the heaven's blue dome.
And the brig t autumn months and late winter days
Of the year, have been glad and been vocal with praise
Have been fair and serene as the life of the best
Ere my peaceful spirit goes to a heaven of rest
To-morrow will welcome the Happy New Year
With music and mirth, as we take of its cheer,
And kind friends will greet us, with bright happy smiles,
As we start on our journey with its unnumbered miles
Old Year we must bid you a long last farewell,
We lose up the pages that many a tale tell
Of sorrow and heart aches, of glad joys and joy
And changes, where grief was oft an alloy.
We enter the New, with firm, noble resolves
Invoking the aid who only absolves
And, trust he will end thro' the future now dim
In ways wherein we may glorify Him
The future, in wisdom is hid from our eyes
We may not now know of its gladness or sighs,
We have of all our dear circle now here will be gone
When another year ends and perhaps finds us alone.
But reaching to grasp a dear Saviour's hand
We'll ask him to lead to a heavenly land.
To a place where no storms or wintry days come,
No losses or griefs, but a sweet restful home,
Where gladness and song float on thro' he years
In the land where's no sorrow, nor shedding of tears

MRS. PEIXADA.

BY SIDNEY LUSKA, AUTHOR OF "AS IT WAS WRITTEN."

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Arthur took advantage of Mrs. Hart's permission to call as soon as he reasonably could. While he was waiting for somebody to appear, he admired the decorations of Mrs Hart's parlor. Neat gauze curtains at the windows, a rosy-hued paper on the wall, a soft carpet under foot, pretty pictures, pleasant chairs and tables, lamps and porcelains, and a bookcase filled with interesting-looking books, combined to lend the room an attractive, homelike aspect, for a which, without cause, Arthur assumed that Mrs. Lehmyl was answerable. An

music lay open on the rack. He was bending over it, to spell out the composer's name, when he heard a rust. of silk, and, turning around, he made his bow to—Mrs. Hart.

Mrs. Hart was accompanied by her cats. Arthur's spirits sank.

"Ah, how do you do?" said Mrs Hart. "I'm so glad to see you."

She shook hands cordially and bade him be seated. He sat down and looked at the ceiling.

"Why didn't you bring your comrade, Mr Hetzel?" she asked.

"Oh, Hetzel has got an examination on his hands, you know, and has perforce become a recluse—old gentlemen spend his evenings wading through the last night's paper," explained Arthur, in the tone of self-depreciation.

Mrs Hart tried to manufacture conversation. Arthur responded absent-mindedly. Neither addled to the talking. Arthur, feeling to appear decent, endeavored to behave as though it was no profit by Mrs Hart's society alone that he had called. Both, notwithstanding, kept acquiring a more and more lugubrious quality. But, by and by, when the flame of hope had dwindled to a spark, a second rustling of silk became audible. With a heart-leap that for a moment rendered him dumb, he heard a sweet voice say, "Good evening, Mr Ripley!" He lifted his eyes, and saw Mrs. Lehmyl standing before him, smiling and proffering her hand. Silently cursing his embarrassment, he possessed himself of the hand, and stammered out some sort of a greeting. There was a magic about that hand of hers. As he touched it, an electric tingle shot up his arm.

All three found chairs. Mrs Hart produced a bag of knitting. One of the cats established himself in Mrs. Lehmyl's lap. The other rubbed up against Arthur's knee, purring confidentially. Arthur into zed his wits for an apt theme. At last he got bravely started.

"What a fine-looking old fellow that Mr Lippman was," he said. "It isn't often one sees a face like that in America."

"No—not often," said Mrs Lehmyl. "Americans of English blood, they haven't enough temperamental richness," acquiesced Mrs. Lehmyl.

"Yes, that is so. The most interesting faces one encounters here belong to foreigners—especially to the Jews. Mr. Lippman, you know, is a Jew."

"Naturally, he is Mrs Berle's brother."

"It's rather odd, Mrs. Lehmyl, but the more I see of the Jews, the better I like them. Aside from the interest they possess as a phenomenon in history, they're very agreeable to me as individuals. I can't at all comprehend the prejudice that some people harbor against them."

"How very liberal!"

"Yes, indeed. Their past is so poetic. They have the warmth of old wine in their blood. I've been a great deal of them. The neighborhood is a regular ghetto, you know. Then down town I rub elbows with them constantly. Indeed, my best client is a Jew. And my friend, Hetzel, he's of Jewish extraction, though he doesn't keep up with their religion. On the average, I think the Jews are the kindest hearted and clearest minded people one meets hereabouts. That Mr Lipman was a specimen of the highest type. It was delightful to watch his face, when you and he were playing—so fervent, so unself-conscious."

"And he played capitally, too—caught the true spirit of the music."

"So it seemed to me, though, of course, I'm no competent to criticise. Speaking of faces, Mrs. Lehmyl, I hope you won't mind my saying that your features do not look to me like an American—I mean English-American."

"There is no reason why it should. I'm not English-American."

"Ah, I felt sure of it. I felt sure you had Italian blood in your veins."

"No—nor Italian, either."

"Well, Spanish, then?"

"Why, I supposed you knew. I—I am a Jewess."

"Mercy!" gasped Arthur, blushing to the roots of his hair. "I—I—I hope you—" he broke off, and squirmed uncomfortably in his chair.

"Why, is it possible you didn't know it?" asked Mrs. Lehmyl.

"Indeed, I did not. If I had, I assure you, I shouldn't have made bold to patronize your race as I was doing. I meant every word I spoke, though. The Jews are a noble and beautiful people, with a record that we Gentiles might well envy."

"You said nothing that was not perfectly proper. Don't imagine for an instant that you touched a sensitive spot. I am a Jewess by birth, though, like your friend Mr. Hetzel, I don't go to the temple. Modern ceremonial Judaism is not quite specially satisfying as a religion."

"You are not orthodox?"

"I am quite otherwise."

"I am glad to hear it. I am glad that there is this tendency among the better educated Jews to cast loose from their Judaism. I want to see them in harmony with the Christians—amalgamate, and help to form the American people of the future. That of course is their destiny."

"I suppose it is."

"You speak as though you regretted it."

"No, I don't regret it. I am too good an American to regret it. But it is a little melancholy to say it, to see one of the most cherished Jewish ideals being abandoned before the first step is made toward realizing it."

"What idea, is that?"

"Why the hope that cheered the Jews through the many centuries of their obloquy and persecution—the hope that a time would come when they could compel recognition from their persecutors and calumniators, when, as a united people they could stand forth before the world, pure and strong and upright, and exact credit for their due. The Jew has been for so long a time the despised and rejected of men, that now, when he has the opportunity, it seems as though he ought to improve it—show the stuff he is made of, prove that obloquy is a libel upon humanity, the past, achieve great results, demonstrate that he only needed light and liberty to develop into a leader of progress. The Jew has eternally been complaining—crying, 'You think I am such an inferior style of personage, give me a chance, and I will convince you of your error.' Now that the chance is given him, it seems a pity for him merely to efface himself, become undistinguishable in the mass of mankind. I should like him to retain the name of Jew until it has grown to be a term of honor, instead of one of reproach. However, his destiny is otherwise—and he must make the best of it. It is the destiny of the dew-drop 'to fill little lilies' cups.' Probably it is better that it should be so."

"But how many Jews are here who would subscribe to your view of the case—who would admit that assimilation is inevitable?"

"Oh, I don't know. Most of them have no views at all on the subject. The majority of this wealthier Jews here in America are epicureans. Eat, drink, be merry, and lay up a competence for them by day, is about their philosophy. But among the older people the prejudice against mixed marriages is wonderfully strong. We shall have to wait for a generation or two, before it can be the common. But it is a prejudice pure and simple, the clinging of a superstition, and not the result of allegiance to that ideal I was speaking of. The average Jew of a certain age may not care a fig for his religion; but if he hears of an instance of inter-marriage, he will hold up his hands in horror, and invoke some dire calamity for the bride and bridegroom. The same man will not enter a synagogue from a year's end to year's end, and should you happen to discuss theology with him, you'd put him down for an out-and-out infidel. At once let them, plenty of people who pride themselves on being free-thinkers, are profoundly superstitious—Gentiles as well as Jews."

"No doubt about that. I fact, I think that everybody has a trace of superstition in his make-up, no matter how emancipated he may fancy himself. How is, for example, can't help attributing some uncanny potency to the number seven. There are more things in heaven and earth than are dreamed of by modern science, and perhaps superstition is a crude way of acknowledging this truth. It is the reaction of the living nation, when confronted with the unknowable."

"It seems to me that much which passes for superstition in this world, ought not to be so called. It is rather, a super-sense. There is a subtle something that broods over human life—as the aroma broods over a goblet of old wine—a something of such fine, impalpable texture, that many men and women are never able to perceive it, but which others of more sensitive organization, feel at the time—are forever conscious of. It is the material which the imagination seizes hold of and out of which it spins those fantastic, cobweb shapes that practical persons scoff at as superstitions. I can't understand, however, how anybody can specialize it to the extent of linking it to arithmetic, as you do, and as those do who are afraid of thirteens."

"What you have referred to, falls, rather, under the head of mysticism, does it not? And mysticism is one form of poetry. You come rightfully by your ideas on this subject. A strain of mysticism is your birthright, a portion of your inheritance as a Jewess. It is one of the benefits you derive from being something more than an American."

"Oh, but I am an American, besides. It is a privilege to be one."

"I mean American of English ancestry. We are all Americans—or more precisely, we are all immigrants or the descendants of immigrants. But those of us that have an infusion of warmer blood than the English in our veins, are to be congratulated."

"It seems to me that Ripley is an Englishman."

"So he is. But my father's mother was a

"A ruddy drop of Gallic blood outweighs a world of gold," parodied Mrs Lehmyl.

"Oh, you may make fun of me if you like," cried Arthur "but my comfort in thinking of that French grandmother of mine will remain undisturbed. I wonder, by-the-bye, how generously, I won her affection, if you have ever suffered from any of the infirmities that your people are sometimes put to. Mrs Lehmyl, I declare I have been tempted to wring the necks of my fellow-mortals now and then."

"Suffered! I have occasionally been amused. I should not have much self respect, if anything like that could cause me suffering. Last summer, for instance, Mrs. Har and I were in the mountains at a hotel. Everybody to begin with, was disposed to be very sociable. Then, innocently enough, one day I said we were newcomers. After that we were left severely alone. I remember, we got into an omnibus one afternoon, to drive to the village. A young man and a couple of young ladies—guests at the same house—were already in it. They glared at us quite savagely, and whispered, 'Jews' and signaled the driver to stop, and let them out. So we had the conveyance to ourselves, for which we were not sorry."

"I wish I had been there" cried Arthur with a vindictive energy, and then saw—

"Why?" asked Mrs Lehmyl.

"Oh, that young man and I would have had an interview alone," in a blood-curdling key.

"He means that he would have given that young man a piece of his mind," put in Mrs Hart.

The sound of her voice occasioned Arthur a veritable start. He had forgotten that she was present.

"I hope not," said Mrs Lehmyl. "To resent such conduct would lend undue importance to it."

"All the same it makes my blood boil—the thought that those young animals dared to be rude to you."

The pronoun "you" was spoken with a significant emphasis. A student of human nature could have inferred volumes from it. Mrs Hart straightway proceeded to demolish her own claims to be called a student of human nature, if she had any, by construing the syllable in the plural number.

"I'm sure we appreciate your sympathy," she said. "Ruth, play a little for Mr Ripley."

"Was that intended as a reward of merit? Contrariwise to the gentleman in *Punch*, Arthur would so much rather have heard her talk than play."

"Shall I?" she asked.

"Oh, I should be delighted," he assented.

She played the Pathetic sonata. Before she had got beyond the first dozen bars, Arthur had been caught up and borne away on the strong current of the music. She played with wonderful execution and perfect feeling. I suppose Arthur had heard the Pathetic sonata a score of times before. He had never begun to appreciate it until now. It seemed to him that in a language of superhuman clearness and directness, the subtlest and most sacred mysteries of the soul were being explained to him. Every emotion, every passion that the heart can feel, he seemed to hear expressed by the miraculous voice that Mrs Lehmyl was calling into being and life under her touch. Through its unison ings, deep, melancholy, breathless terror, keen, quivering anguish, blank despair, flashes of short lived joy, instants of hope speedily engulfed in an eternity of despond, tremulous desire, the delirium of enjoyment, the bitter awakening to a sense of satiety and self-deception intervals of quiet reflection, broken in upon by the turbulent cries of hundred mad tumultuous spirits, weird glimpses into a world of phantom shapes, exaltation into the seventh heaven of delight, descent into the bottomless pit of darkness, these were a few of the strange and supreme, but none the less intense, emotional experiences through which Mrs Lehmyl led him. When she returned to her chair, opposite his own, he could only look upon her face and wonder, he could not speak. A delicate flush had overspread her cheeks, and her eyes shone even more brightly than her wont. She evidently misunderstood his silence.

"Ah," she said, with frank disappointment, "it did not please you."

"Please me?" he cried. "No, indeed, it did not please me. It was like Dante's journey through the three realms of the dead. It was like seeing a miracle performed. It overpowered me. I suppose I am too susceptible—weak, if you will, and womanish. But such music as that—I could no more have withstood its spell, than I could withstand the influence of strong wine."

"Speaking of strong wine," said Mrs Hart, "what if you should try a little mild wine?" And she pointed to a servant who had crossed the threshold in the midst of Arthur's rhapsody, and who bore a tray with glasses and a decanter.

"In spite of this anti-climax," he said, sipping his wine, "what I said was the truth."

"It's the fault, no doubt, of your French blood, Monsieur," said Mrs. Lehmyl. "But I confess that, perhaps in a moderated degree, music has much the same effect upon me. When I first heard *La Damnation de Faust*, I had to hold on to the arms of my chair to keep from being carried bodily away. Yo remember it—toward the end? I really felt that if I let go my anchorage, I should be swept off along with Faust and Mephistopheles."

"I remember. But that did not affect me so. I never was so affected till I heard you play just now."

"I don't know whether I ought to feel complimented, or the reverse."

"What is the feeling we naturally have a perceiving our power over another human being?"

Mrs Lehmyl changed the subject.

"I met was an exceedingly clever guess you made the other day," she said, "that I was a lover of Browning. I can't understand what suggested it."

"I told you then that I dared no calling on you, as I might be deemed presumptuous. If you will promise me absolution beforehand—"

"Browning, too, I take for granted, share my sentiments."

"What I have read is unsurpassed. The Inn Album,' for example—"

"And 'The Ring and the Book?'"

"I haven't read the 'Ring and the Book.'"

"Oh, then you must read it at once. Then you don't half know Browning. Will you credit, if I lend it to you?"

"You are very kind. I should like no end better."

Mrs Lehmyl begged to be excused and left the room. Arthur followed the sound of her light, quick footsteps up the stairs.

"Browning is her patron saint," so untapered Mrs Hart. "She spends her unemployed daily between him and her piano."

Mrs Lehmyl came back.

"There," she said, giving him the volume and an imp, "there is my *vade mecum*. I lent it almost as dearly as I could if it were a human being. You must be sure to like it."

"I am sure you honor me very highly by entrusting it to me," he replied.

At home he opened it, thinking to read for an hour or two before going to bed. What interested him however, even more than Browning's writings, was the traces of Mrs Lehmyl's ownership that he came across every now and then—a corner dog-eared, a passage inclosed by pencil lines, a fragment of rose-petal stuck between the pages. It gave him a thrill of delicious sense of intimacy with the lady of his love in his hands. Had she ever her hand warmed on her hair shadowed it? Her very breath touched it? Had it not been her companion in solitary moments? A witness of the life she led when no human eye was upon her? What precious secrets it might have whispered, if it had had a tongue! There was a slight discoloration of the paper, where Coquilla tells of her miseries as fruit-girl. Who could say but that it had been caused by Mrs Lehmyl's tears? That she had leaned her head upon it, and sobbed? How like a mark of reverence on the fly-leaf something had been written in ink, and subsequently scratched out—probably her name. He wondered what had erased it. Toward the close of a sporadic effervescence, one of the pages had been torn clear across, and then neatly pasted together with tissue paper braces. He wondered what the circumstances were under which the mischief had been done, and whether the repair was her handiwork. A faint, sweet perfume lurked in the pages. It had the power of calling her up visibly before him, and sending on an exquisite tremor into his heart. And, withal, had anybody suggested that he was at the verge of falling in love with her, he would have denied it stoutly—so little was he disposed to self-analysis.

CHAPTER V.

But ere a great while, the scales fell from his eyes.

By dint of much self-discipline, he managed to let a week and a day elapse before paying his second call. While he stood in the vestibule waiting for the opening of the door, sundry bursts of sound escaping from within informed him that a duet was being played upon the piano. Intuitively he concluded that the treble part was Mrs. Lehmyl's, instinctively he asked, "But who is carrying the bass?" On entering the parlor, it was with a sharp and significant pang that he beheld, seated at Mrs Lehmyl's left, no less redoubtable a creature than man. He took a chair and sat down, and endured the polite preliminaries until that duet was finished. He could not see the man's face, but the back of his head indicated youth. The virtuosities of the performance were playing havoc with the nerves of the listener. Arthur's own musical taste was bad enough, but to poor Arthur's odious mind it seemed as if from time to time, even when the music furnished no excuse they voluntarily approached each other. Every now and then they hurriedly exchanged a whispered question. He felt that his soul ought to have observed his finger for the night, but how or at what they did. How much satisfaction would he have obtained if he had been stationed near enough to overhear! All that was said, "One, two, three, *four*, five, six." Perhaps in his agony he could he would have magnified his imagination into a confidence conveyed by a new set of notes.

When the musicians rose Arthur experienced a slight relief. Mrs Lehmyl greeted him with marked kindness, and all sour humors vanished. She introduced her co-executant as Mr Spencer. And Mr Spencer was tall, lean, gawky and ridiculous looking.

But Arthur's relief was of short duration. Mr Spencer forthwith proceeded to exhibit great familiarity with both of the ladies—a familiarity which they did not appear to resent. Mrs Hart, indeed, reciprocated to the extent of addressing him as Dick. His conversation made it manifest that he had traveled with them in Europe. He was constantly referring to people and places and events about which Arthur was altogether ignorant. His every utterance began "Do you remember?" A fair was excessively uneasy that he had determined to set Mr Spencer out, though he should pendulum-ture, remain until sunrise.

Mr Spencer did indeed remain till the night had go on its last legs. He lacked but a quarter of midnight when, finally, he accomplished his exit.

Said Mrs Hart, after he had gone, "A Boston man?"

"I met him," said Mrs Lehmyl "at Aix les Baths. He's a remarkably well informed musician—writes criticisms for one of the Boston papers."

"He came this evening," went on Mrs Hart, "to tell us of the happy termination of a joint affair in which he was immersed when we last saw him. He's going to be married."

At these words Arthur's spirits sank up far above their customary level. So! There was no occasion for jealousy in the matter of Mr Spencer, at any rate. The revelation was so great that had Mr Spencer still been present, I think our hero would have felt like hugging him.

"A very fine fellow, I should judge," he said "I have outstaid him because I wanted to tell you that Hetzel and I have devised a jolly little plan for Sunday, in which we hope you will join. You know our idea is to spend the afternoon at the Metropolitan art museum. You know the pictures are well worth an inspection, and on Sunday there is no crowd. Hetz has procured a ticket through the courtesy of a director. Then afterward, you are to come back with us and take dinner—if the weather permits, on our roof. Mrs Berle will be at the dinner, though she doesn't care to go with us to see the pictures. We may count upon you, may we not?"

"Oh, certainly, that will be delightful," said Mrs Hart.

"Then we will call for you at a quarter of—of—"

"Ten"

"Good-night."

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When at length the clock struck half after noon his pulse quicke ned. This last half hour was as long as the entire forepart of the day had been. With each moment his agitation increased. Finally he and Hetzel crossed the street. He had to bite his lips and press his finger-nails deep into the flesh of his hands, in order to command a terrible self-possessed exterior.

At last says that he remembers the rest of this Sunday as one remembers a bewildering dream. He remembers, a long while, how Mrs Lehmyl met him in Mrs Hart's drawing room, and gave him a warm, sad hand, and spoke a few pleasant words of welcome. He remembers how his heart fluttered, and how he had to catch for breath, as he gazed into her unfathomable eyes, and inhaled that slumber of perfumes which hung to her apparel. He remembers how he marched at her side through fulleth street to Madison avenue, in a state of dell lour intoxication, and how they mounted a cable-car chariot—He always was a Madison avenue horse-car—as usual he sat next to her and helped her once or twice with the change of silver bells. How a strain of heavenly music floated to his ears from the organ, which he knew that there were engaged in the exhibition of, but which he could not see. He felt that his soul ought to have observed his finger for the night, but how or at what they did. How much satisfaction would he have obtained if he had been stationed near enough to overhear! All that was said, "One, two, three, *four*, five, six." Perhaps in his agony he could he would have magnified his imagination into a confidence conveyed by a new set of notes.

When the musicians rose Arthur experienced a slight relief. Mrs Lehmyl greeted him with marked kindness, and all sour humors vanished. She introduced her co-executant as Mr Spencer. And Mr Spencer was tall, lean, gawky and ridiculous looking.

But Arthur's relief was of short duration. Mr Spencer forthwith proceeded to exhibit great familiarity with both of the ladies—a familiarity which they did not appear to resent. Mrs Hart, indeed, reciprocated to the extent of addressing him as Dick. His conversation made it manifest that he had traveled with them in Europe. He was constantly referring to people and places and events about which Arthur was altogether ignorant. His every utterance began "Do you remember?" A fair was excessively uneasy that he had determined to set Mr Spencer out, though he should pendulum-ture, remain until sunrise.

Mr Spencer did indeed remain till the night had go on its last legs. It lacked but a quarter of midnight when, finally, he accomplished his exit.

Said Mrs Hart, after he had gone, "A Boston man?"

"I met him," said Mrs Lehmyl "at Aix les Baths. He's a remarkably well informed musician—writes criticisms for one of the Boston papers."

"He came this evening," went on Mrs Hart, "to tell us of the happy termination of a joint affair in which he was immersed when we last saw him. He's going to be married."

At these words Arthur's spirits sank up far above their customary level. So! There was no occasion for jealousy in the matter of Mr Spencer, at any rate. The revelation was so great that had Mr Spencer still been present, I think our hero would have felt like hugging him.

"A very fine fellow, I should judge," he said "I have outstaid him because I wanted to tell you that Hetzel and I have devised a jolly little plan for Sunday, in which we hope you will join. You know our idea is to spend the afternoon at the Metropolitan art museum. You know the pictures are well worth an inspection, and on Sunday there is no crowd. Hetz has procured a ticket through the courtesy of a director. Then afterward, you are to come back with us and take dinner—if the weather permits, on our roof. Mrs Berle will be at the dinner, though she doesn't care to go with us to see the pictures. We may count upon you, may we not?"

"Oh, certainly, that will be delightful," said Mrs Hart.

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"Good bye," she said

"Say—may I call upon you to-morrow?"

"Yes"

He relinquished her hand, which he had been clinging to all this time, and went his way.

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A RUBBLY ACTION.

A lady friend of THE SUNDAY OREGONIAN now in Petersburg, Virginia, wife of one our well known citizens, sends us the following for publication. It is a true incident, and worthy of widespread circulation. "Nothing such of nature makes the whole world kin, and the soldier who has suffered in battle and afterward, when worn out and broken, has been reduced to want, for what makes life barely worth living, can feel a deep sympathy for a brave and honored foeman, in such a plight. Geo Saith Bolling related [illegible] incident which has just come under his observation, and which reflects honor upon a gallant and generous soul. "Very recently I read from Bolling, Senator Malone received a letter from a gentleman of Watertown, New York, whose name I withhold. The contents of the letter, briefly told, were as follows

Senator William Mahone *Dear Sir*—Please send me the name of some worthy disabled confederate soldier who is poor and needs help. I was a Union soldier myself, and am now a pensioner of the United States government, I am able now, however to live without the pension, and I desire to turn it over to some disabled confederate soldier who needs it more than I do. Respectfully, &c.

"Senator Mahone," said Senora Bolling, referred to a letter-book, with the request that I would act upon the suggestion therein made and recommend some worthy ex-confederate of my acquaintance. After careful consideration, I recommended to the northern soldier the name of Wm McLaugh in, of Lunenburg county. The response from the donor was prompt, and I need not assure you that the recipient is entirely worthy. A relative of Mr McLaughlin, who is in the city, informed me that Mr. M Laughlin had duly received the first installment of pension."

The Situation in a Nutshell.

Lincoln correspondence of Boston Pilot

Evidently, of both parties, is looking all round for a way out of the difficulty. Ireland is waiting and hoping to wait. The game is now at a point where all the players are playing for safety. Nobody wishes to force his opponent's hand. Even Mr Chamberlain, the critical evangel, has become unusually silent under the influence of the great change which Lord Hartington has brewed in his republican air of Mr Gladstone's home rule scheme. The real old leader is quietly and successfully recovering the situation. He has now an obvious chance, such as he never had before, to get rid of Hartington once and for all. If Chamber

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THE GENIUS OF THE BOTTLE

There's a queer little bottle stands here on my desk,
It's as red like a boat, and is quite picturesque,
With a figure-head fits the least trifle grotesque.

It holds in its depths, though you never may know it,
And time not clearly able to show it
The treasures of romance, pundit and poet

There are positive facts for the solemn and wise
And fable for those who like truth in disguise,
And only a fancy that floats to the skies

There are songs that are sweet as the songs of the lark,
And jests dating back to the days of the ark
There are arrows of wit that fly straight to the mark—

And tales of devotion and honor and truth
And stories of danger and beauty and ruth
That quicken the pulse in the bosom of youth.

There are truths that flash out like a sword in the fight
That shine like a star in the darkness of night
To guide a raying feet from the wrong to the right

There are true-love songs full many I ween
There's solace for sorrow and peace serene
And the strong staff of Hope wherein weakness may lean.

Of the Genius who holds of this bottle the keys
I speak in a parable now, if you please
I pray, dainty bard—metaphorical—knaves,

Every day for the secret try which to extract
The genius, he remained the elf wished in fact
With which, to my knowledge this bottle is packed.

And off as I raise my importunate plea
He touches my lips with a crystalline sea
And then, when he hears me—why then you hear me say,

For whatever he gives of his marvelo's store
With pride that is humble I bring to your door,
And grateful and happy, I pray ever more

O Genius, who stones on the strange bottle's brink,
Add one to your store
My heart, to the world's wide a drop of its ink
—*Carlotta Perry in the Independent*

"MUCH ADO."

A NOVELETTE BY FRANCES HOLCOMB BURNETT

Written for THE SUNDAY OREGONIAN.

CHAPTER I.—CONTINUED.

"I could not help thinking of it at Chesterday," said Nell hurriedly.

"Do you see him yesterday?" said her mother.

"Yes, mamma. I went down to the beach when I took my walk—our own beach—where I thought I was sure I should meet no one. It seemed as if there was some sort of unpleasant fate in it. I thought I would sit on the rocks and make a sketch and just as I was going to sit down I found a book lying near me—picked it up and saw the name. It was John Hamilton, and just as I was reading it he came back."

"Oh, Nell my dear!"

"I could not be helped, mamma. I gave it to him and he bowed, and I bowed and turned away. He did not speak. I did not give him time—there was nothing said—only he stood and looked after me as I went."

"It is very unpleasant," said her mother, "and it is very sad. His poor mother. She is not rich, it appears, and his extravagances are a great burden to her. He is willing to accept anything from his cousin and for her sake Mr Wyllard has to assist generous to him. He tries to keep him among respectable people. He took him abroad with him and tried to give him starts for honorable professions and endeavored occupation. He has quarrelled with his cousin's sake and he is sorely believed himself a little better lately."

"And he allows his cousin to support him," said Nell. "That is the finishing touch."

She turned away and walked to the window which was thrown open to the morning air. And as she did so there passed before the house a tall and dashing drag going at a rattling pace, a beautifully finish d affair with four splendid horses driven tandem. She turned from the window suddenly that Mrs Huntingdon observed the startled movement and spoke to her.

"What was it, Nell?"

"It—it was he, mamma."

And this time Mrs Huntingdon did not feel it necessary to ask if she meant Mr Jack Hamilton.

As far as Mrs Maria Huntingdon's ideas of success were concerned the literary reception at which Prof Chatterton appeared was certainly successful. Her parlors were well filled, there were none who came to see the lesmne wonder who outnumbered them—there were those who came to see each other and who came because they did not know how to get out of it but how large a proportion because they tenderly doted upon Maria Huntingdon it would have been hard to say.

Their hostess stood near the door with Prof Chatterton waiting at her side with a slight perturbed and puzzled air. He had a mental desire to do what was expected of him, but he was not quite sure what it was. Mrs Maria Huntingdon so bewildered him. Two days spent under her roof had in her so fully had made him wonder more and more why he had fallen into her possession. She had presented him with several fine boxes and had given him a certain position in a disgraceful manner in which her husband had acted by her publicly. If but half of her encomiums had been true she would have been a most delightful companion, but—

Prof Chatterton's eye which was an observant one after resting a moment on Miss Huntingdon's delicately vivid cheek made a direct line for the door.

Some one has come in' was his physical thought swift as a flash of moment. Acted action of the heart caused by opening of the door is not uncommon among the young. This is something of the same order.

But when his glance took in the new arrivals his own expression changed horribly. They were two young men of exactly opposite types—types which the sternest simplicity of their evening dress seemed to accentuate—one small and slight and prettily fair, with a slack little face and a shy pair of blue eyes, the other all the more muscular and more darkly splendid as it seemed absolutely to flood for.

What! exclaimed Prof Chatterton it seems impossible, but—it is!"

Mrs Huntingdon looked up at him. She was slightly flushed herself—she had had time to see that Mr Jack Hunting lonsoon orially fringed eyes had flashed one glance round the room and then rested steadily upon the knot of right hair softly coiled low on the nape of Nell's neck—her head long as disgracefully eager as it at had been her averted face.

Do you know—" began Mrs Huntingdon a little hesitantly.

The two young men were to have just come in" finished the professor hesitating a little also and showing small signs of momentary mental disturbance. "I am sorry—I do—or I did. One of them I should scarcely have expected—are they friends of yours" checking himself hastily.

No, Mr Huntingdon answered. My son knows Mr William Hamilton, but—

It was the professor's turn to flush now. He elderly chuckled forward.

He may be very thankful that he has found that out of knowing Mr Jack Hamilton he said. It is questionable on. I have suffered from it myself—I—should not speak but I feel strongly on the subject and it startled me to see it in our quiet gla. less pleasant to him would be our hitting his predilections.

Nell moved her head slightly. The movement gave Mr Jack Hamilton's extra side of her cheek—only more than half of it was full enough to cause him to experience the wonderful effects often worked here and burning a rose, and if not of a in elderly scientist should have the power to cause it to so also did Hamilton. Even a child's

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THE GREAT STORM.

A Vast Stretch of Country Covered by the Blizzard.

THE WEATHER INTENSELY COLD

Appalling Loss of Life and Shipping along the Atlantic—One Vessel is Burned on the Rocks and All Hands are Lost.

CHICAGO, Jan 9.—The magnitude and character of the present storm cannot be fully told or understood for some days. Telegraph communication with the great sections of the South and West have been completely cut off for periods of ten to twelve hours. No trains have been able to work through to Omaha for three days, and railroad traffic in Iowa is completely abandoned. The telegraphic companies have been more seriously hampered than before in ten years. The storm area extends east to Maine and south to the Gulf of Mexico

AROUND KANSAS CITY

KANSAS CITY, Jan 9.—The blockade on railroads extending west from this point is almost complete. Local passenger trains are being run to Topeka on the Santa Fe and Union Pacific roads, and to Atchison over the Missouri Pacific and the Burlington and Missouri river roads. Otherwise western traffic is at a standstill. No trains are moving on the Southern Kansas line Council Bluffs and Omaha are still open, though laboring under difficulties. On overland roads several trains are laying inbound at way stations.

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MANY VESSELS WRECKED.

An Appalling Record of Death and Ruin—An Entire Crew Drowned.

SPRING LAKE, N. J., Jan 9.—The schooner Mary G. Fart, of Philadelphia, from Baltimore for Providence, is ashore on the outer bar and will be a total wreck. All hands were lost.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan 9.—The loss of the schooner Mary G. Fan, with every soul on board, is perhaps the saddest disaster of the gale. The ill fated vessel was driven ashore and caught fire, but not one of those on board escaped to tell the story. A dispatch from Spring Lake, N. J., says that late on Friday night a bright light was seen off the life saving station. The high wind and driving sleet made the life saving service almost unavailable. Twice the boom of the signal rang across the water, and the life saving crew was sent toward the vessel, but in vain. The crew of the burned vessel launched a boat, but in a moment it went to pieces, and the occupants were drowned. Later the vessel drifted ashore and she is high and dry at low water. Female apparel washed ashore indicates that the captain's wife and two women were on board. The schooner was commanded by John D. Connel of Milton, Delaware, and Joseph Emmons was mate. The crew was shipped from Baltimore, and are no known in this city.

GREAT LOSS OF SHIPPING

BOSTON, Jan 9.—Reports continue to come in from points along the coast which show that the storm of last night worked havoc among shipping. A Provincetown dispatch says a fleet of schooners, including fourteen three-masters, were off Highland light at sunset last night, several of which reached Provincetown in safety, but many others were driven ashore or foundered. No lives are reported lost, but the life saving crews were kept busy, and there were many narrow escapes. The tug Confidence and two lighters, with two sets of rivers, bound for the bark Edna, ashore on Stone House shoal arrived last night at Bar Harbor. These are the only boats about which much anxiety was felt during the day in Boston.

Off Cuttyhunk the Penikese light ship has sunk, and it is reported that an unknown three-masted schooner is pounding along the bars for hours at a time at day break, and finally was clear out in the bay. Her crew were in the rigging and the vessel had apparently lost her rudder and some sails. It was impossible to make her.

A number of vessels were reported by wireless to sea. The wind has been variously seventy miles an hour at times.

AT NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—The storm which raged all last night with unabated fury continued during to-day. It was accompanied by a very high wind which caused little in shelter to pass. It also had the effect of delaying travel in the city to a great extent. The street cars were interfered with, the principal arrival of which was a number of vessels reported having been and went floating out to sea, only to be driven back. At least two are missing, and have probably floated out to sea.

AT NEWBURYPORT

NEWBURYPORT, Mass., Jan. 9.—The severest storm in many years has been raging here the past twelve hours. The schooner George Franklin, Capt. Thurston, with a crew of five men, went out of this port yesterday afternoon and nothing has yet been heard from her.

AT ATLANTIC CITY

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Jan. 9.—The storm here is one of the worst for many years. Piers were unroofed and a hurricane did great damage along the sea front. The surf is strewn with sulphur, presumably from a wrecked vessel which is not in sight.

SCHOONER WRECKED AND THREE MEN DROWNED

BOSTON, Jan. 9.—The schooner Juliet, of Ellsworth, Me., was driven on the rocks near Deer Island last night, and the captain, mate and cook were drowned.

BOSTON, Jan 9.—The schooner Juliet struck on the rocks between Deer Island and Winthrop Head, during a gale to-day. She had six persons on board, three of whom lost their lives—Capt. Leach Charles Tourgee, mate, and James Dunn, steward

DOLPH'S INFLUENCE

Important California Appointments Referred to him by his Lieutenants.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The senate has not yet confirmed or rejected any appointments which have been sent to it by the president since the beginning of the present session. It is customary, and the senate has followed the practice at the present time, to refer all appointments to the various committees, which the committees again distribute among individual members of the committees. Thus a member of the post office committee would have all the appointments to consider, which had been made in the postoffice department from his section.

Important appointments in California have been referred to the committees on commerce and finance. California has no representation on either of these committees, so that appointments cannot be referred to either Stanford or Miller. It is the practice in such cases to refer the appointments to a senator from an adjoining state. Nevada and Oregon each has a senator on both the commerce and finance committees. If Senator Jones were here it is probable that he would take appointments from one committee and Dolph those from another, but as Jones has not yet arrived appointments to all important California offices have been referred to Dolph for consideration. He will report them back to the committees, either favorably or unfavorably, and the committees will doubtless accept his report and in turn submit it to the senate.

Dolph has become the center of a good deal of a good deal of interest for Californians. Henley called on him to-day and asked him if the California appointments had been referred to him. He replied that he considered the manner of appointments and the action that had been taken in regard to them by the senate and committees, are executive and confidential, and he could not answer that question, but told Henley if he had anything to say in regard to any appointments he might say it on the supposition that the appointments had been referred to him. Henley then produced arguments for and against various appointments.

Your correspondent asked Senator Dolph when the committee would probably report nominations to the senate. He replied that there would be no haste in the matter. Nothing some surprise that ex-Senator Rogers' appointment as port collector has not yet been confirmed. It is the custom of that body to confirm the appointment of an ex-senator without reference, but in this case exception has been made.

HYPOTHETICAL QUESTIONS NOT ANSWERED

WASHINGTON, Jan 9.—In the case of an application of a man who had relinquished a land entry to make a second entry, where no specific tract is specified, the secretary of the interior decides that such an application amounts simply to a request for a decision as to whether it would be allowed to make such an entry if it should at any time hereafter be desired, and that it is therefore a hypothetical question which the department has refused to answer. The commissioner of the general land office is directed to refuse hereafter to consider applications for a restoration of the right to make peremptory filing of homestead or timber culture entries, except when accompanied by an application to make filing or entry for some specified tract

IMPORTANT COMMITTEES

WASHINGTON, Jan 9.—The members of the ways and means committee may be classified as follows: protectionists, five (all republicans) free traders, seven

Everybody picked up his ears when the Georgia committee was reached. Would it be silver or anti-silver? The question of the names threw little or no light upon either. "It is a neutral committee," said Geo. Warner, after scanning the list anxiously. Action will be likely to depend wholly upon the the shape in which the question of silver coinage is presented to it.

THE ATLANTA RAILWAY

Explanation by the Company of the Suit Brought Against it in Kansas

BOSTON, Jan 9.—The finance committee of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railway company has issued the following circular to stockholders concerning the statement made public through the press that a suit had been begun in Kansas in which a member of the board is asking payment of the dividend just declared, the basis of the suit being the alleged invalidity of the stock issued and the dividend in 1881. The stock alleged to be invalid was issued after careful consideration, representing the actual assets of the company, and was distributed among the stockholders pro rata as a matter of the highest authority. The stock was issued to the stockholders of the company and has for nearly five years been held and enjoyed by them and their representatives. No stockholder can be in a position to contest the validity of an action of which he is to-day enjoying the fruit.

The statute of Kansas of 1885 expressly declared that all certificates of stock heretofore issued by such Kansas railroad corporation shall be binding as against the company unless an action be brought to annul the same within a year from March 1, 1885. The animus of the suit may be measured from the time chosen to bring it, upon the eve of the payment of a dividend and a moment when the company is offering to its stockholders subscription rights of great value. It may also be inferred from the fact that the suit is believed to be promoted by the same party or parties as recently instituted suit to prevent the payment of the Sonora interest. The plaintiff in that suit held two hundred shares of stock. He had acquired the shares in November last and consequently was and is stopped from calling in question any action of the company prior to his purchase. The former statement, it is believed sufficiently characterizes the proceedings just instituted in Kansas, and shows that whether the object be to affect the stock market or whatever it be, no injury to the interests of the company need be apprehended.

THE TIDE RELOCED.

CLEVELAND, Jan 9.—There were scenes of the wildest excitement in Oberlin college at 1 o'clock this morning. At that hour flames burst from the third story of the ladies' hall, a brick structure connected with the college and in which 150 female and 100 male students were accommodated. The girls were all in bed when the alarm was raised and when they were allowed to enter their rooms into the street, and simply in their night garments. The weather was intensely cold, and it was very difficult to get water into the building. The hall was completely destroyed. The loss on the structure and contents is placed at $50,000. The students on the upper floor lost all their effects. So far as can be learned nobody has been injured.

BLAZE AT CINCINNATI

CINCINNATI, Jan. 9.—A fire in Jewett & Adams' manufactory on Water street was fought by the entire department this morning, as the locality was very dangerous if a conflagration once started. The loss is $100,000, fully insured.

ENGLAND.

THE GREAT STORM CONTINUES.

LONDON, Jan 9.—The gale continues with unabated fury in Scotland the snow in some places has drifted into enormous banks and a number of ruins are reported to be blockaded. An unknown steamer has foundered in the English channel and a mates of wreckage has been washed ashore.

The French bark Remi has been wrecked in the British channel and four of her crew have been drowned.

LONDON, Jan 9.—The severe storm which set in yesterday morning in England and Scotland, continues. Freezing weather is reported from many places to-day.

THE QUEEN'S VISIT TO JOHN BARLEYCORN

LONDON, Jan 9.—The private secretary to the queen telegraphed to London this afternoon that her majesty would open the forthcoming session of parliament in person.

CRIMINAL CALENDAR

TWO NEGROES LYNCHED

NEW ORLEANS, Jan 9.—At Johnsonville, Miss. January 7th, the bodies of two negroes Dumit Hays and Nat Forbes, were found dangling from a bridge over Mount Pigeon. They were two of four negroes who shitted the side of E. T. Carrol at Johnsonville December 2, and drew a ratchet into the back of Carroll's head. The murderers secured $300 in cash and a watch and started for Arkansas but these two returned and were captured by the whites and blacks were engaged in the fight.

IRELAND

AGAINST HOME RULE

DUBLIN, Jan 9.—The Loyalists union held a meeting to-day and resolved to establish branches of the union throughout Ireland. The Belfast Presbytery has a manifesto declaring that the adoption of home rule, at any time impolitic, would now be disastrous and criminal.

THE EAST.

More about the Jackson Banquet at Columbus.

RYAN AND SULLIVAN TO FIGHT

Disastrous Railroad Accident in the South—An Oregon Chinaman takes out Naturalization Papers

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Jan 9.—The banquet hall of the Jackson club was tastefully decorated last evening and the tables richly laden. Back of the guests' table hung a portrait of Andrew Jackson and the velvet bound menu cards contained portraits of "Old Hickory" and the guests of the evening. After the edibles had been discussed letters of regret were read from Hon Samuel J Tilden, members of the national cabinet, Gen Hancock, Gov Pattison, of Pennsylvania, Governor Lee, of Virginia, Chas A Dana, editor of the Sun, and others. None of them were of any political significance, the cabinet officers pleading pressure of public duties, while the others were prevented from being present by previous engagements or by ill health.

WATTERSON'S SPEECH.

Henry Watterson, replying to the toast of "the Democratic Press," among other things said "I am the administration's persona friend, and a public partisan. Even the president and every member of his government have received nothing but courtesy and all the recognition and consideration any democrat could desire. I think the president has been seriously misjudged for his alleged tardiness in turning the rascals out.

"There is forming upon our political horizon a cloud, which if not dissipated, will spread over the whole firmament, and out from this cloud there issues a voice crying "Money is King. This new gospel of Mammon has built its shrine in the east. I am afraid the president has been misled by natural and preponderating influences. He is a man of the people and every pulse flies heart beats to old fashioned democratic music.

"The democrats have agreed, whenever they get the order to revise the tariff. I have no fault to find with what the president says upon the subject in his message. It is what he fails to say that gives me more or less concern. I regret that he has no views of his own on the subject, leaving it where he found it. I have to hope that question will not down. It will not down in the south. The west and south's interests and views do on this question are the same, and I we do not fix our lines in double array and advance to the conflict under the leadership of an old institution we will be bound to support and defend, the next time we go into a national convention we shall have a Kilkenny fight if I am not greatly mistaken. It is certain that Illinois and Michigan, Iowa and Wisconsin and I hope, Ohio, with their eighty two electoral votes, put to shame and rout the time serving idea that we must sacrifice every democratic traditional promise to make sure of the fifty-one electoral votes of New York, Connecticut and New Jersey.

"Parties, like individuals, must take time by the forelock. I think that after the blow of hands which was had last winter on the president's fair letter to New York banners, he was unwise to throw the weight of his message so dead against the predilections of such a majority of his party in congress. Touching unlimited coinage of silver, I think he is right. I am willing to stop on any reasonable basis of security for the maintenance in good faith of a double standard. Where shall we stop? When and where shall gold and silver part company. The west place in the president's position is the contention on the treasury department, and the policy which the democratic party has condemned in republican administrations. It is a refusal to obey the laws of congress in their letter and spirit. The failure of the president to reverse the republican presidents methods in this regard has raised in the west and south a genuine scare and storm. I would create a silver commission, composed of men of national reputation and standing, who have public confidence. I would invest this commission with all the prestige and pamphernalia of an embassy and ask congress to suspend the coinage of silver until these representatives of the government and the people could make their report. I would as sacredly carry out the errors of the act of 1878 and give silver dollars the hot end of the poker."

TOAST TO JEFFERSON DAVIS.

Judge Allen G. Thurman spoke to the toast of "Constitution and Democracy." Though his voice when he speaking began, he said "I have heard it to-night. All hail and true subject to be sure, 'Constitution and Democracy.' The first part I have in me some where down here. I think the toast was intended to make a little fun of the old man. When the wrote that toast I in my mind one said, 'What is it.' Another person chuckled. I had something if I but had the archeological society of the state, can told me that was president and I said they had been poking about into the annals to find precedents for some point near here to Murray Hill. Crowd will be broken within six months, and the thought forty miles will be built and equipped by next fall.

NEW BRIEFS.

SPRAGUE, Jan 9.—We have just received news from our city representative, H. V. Fairweather, informing us that Sprague gets two terms of the district court annually, which gladden the community to the extent that all mistress be cases of every kind will close to-morrow (Sunday) the first time since the existence of Sprague.

MASS MEETING AT WALLA WALLA.

WALLA WALLA, Jan 9.—A mass meeting was held at the court house to-day, to take action requesting the legislature from the county to suppress the commission regulating freight rates.

CALIFORNIA.

THE KNIGHTS OF LABOR AT WORK

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 9.—The San Francisco Knights of Labor have issued a long address which is being sent to every district assembly of Knights of Labor in the United States. The address entreats each assembly to use its influence on its local representatives in congress to secure an immediate flow of Chinese immigration to the United States, and also asks assemblies to form petitions to congress asking for such legislation.

SIXTY INCH BEATEN.

A race for a purse of $2 mile heats, free to all, to harness, in which were entered Sixty Inch, an Oregon horse, Maud W. and Mag Mahon and Mamie, was won by Magdalin in straight heats, time, 2:29, 2:25, 2:25. A match race for $1,000 between Billy Johnson and Al Bernard, half mile dash, was won by the former in 47 seconds.

TO MAKE BEET SUGAR.

Articles of incorporation of the Standard Sugar company have been filed in the county clerk's office, the object being to manufacture beet sugar and acquire all the property necessary for that purpose. The capital is $1,000,000, divided into 10,000 shares of $100 each, of which $47,000 has been actually subscribed.

OREGON WEATHER.

PORTLAND, Jan 9.—Indications for Oregon and Washington territory for the succeeding thirty-two hours: Cloudy and rain in the front portion, fair weather in the southern portion.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

NEWS ITEMS FROM VICTORIA.

VICTORIA, Jan —The stranded bark Armadilla was this afternoon successfully towed from the rocks off Trial island, and taken to Esquimalt harbor. Her vital cargo of 17,000 feet of lumber will be saved. The bark is badly stranded, and will likely be unfit for further service.

[illegible] was found dead in bed early this morning in her apartments over Smith & Fitzgerald's store. It is thought that in the act of suicide while attempting to rob a house. The police are investigating.

A woman named Morris is being tried for suicide by drinking laudanum. She is not expected to recover.

There is increasing destitution among the Chinese. It is estimated that 1,000 are without money or food.

Robberies are still numerous and more daring.

STATE DISPATCHES.

A CHINAMAN ASKS FOR NATURALIZATION PAPERS.

ALBANY, Jan 9.—Naturalization papers were issued to day to Jim Westfall, the Chinese convertor on the Pacific railroad. This is the first Chinaman ever naturalized in Hamilton county.

This naturalization without authority of law, and is therefore void.—FLORK ONLY.

JAKE "RAISES" HIS PAY.

[illegible] Free Press.

I like to splunk my mind a few times, said My Dunder, as he entered the Central station yesterday.

"Well go ahead," replied Sargeant Martin.

I goes in an auction stores dis morning to see if I find some bargains in saloon furniture. My son Shake he good thing, too. Shake he knows all about der latest shtyle pool glasses, and nobody can cheat him. When we goes in der auction mart he puts on a great big oil paint ing and gries out:

"Now, how me act to shta this fine landscape it vhas vort $ 00, und who vill shtart him at $1?

"Vhell, Shake he vhas a great poy to feel sorry for poor folks. He don't like to see some mans come here from New York und I see so much money as dot all at once, und so he says to me:

"Fadder, make him a bit of $4) but leases him und don't hurt you.

"Vhile dot fool rut a loud voice, und dot New York man vas shindles un I hows un I shta ged. Pooty soon somedy says I vill gif you ten sou dred dollars, seven und I goes up to eighty. Pooty quick a snadody says I vill, und I shump up to one hundred. I look at unit to ask Shake und I goes in my ear und I dells him seas him, und dot picture man gries out:

"Once—twice three times, und sold to Carl Bunder, who has the biggest bargains ever vhas."

"Vhell, dot make me almost faint vhay und I try to run out R der doo. Some ody grabs me, und dot picture man says der tay vhas on his side und I as me any help. He finally helps me off if I pays $10 or his trouble und he calls out:

"Dot man who had $40 can take dot picture. Let him come up.

Sergeant, who vhas dot man

I don't know.

Well it vhas my son Shake. He shands up dop door und makes der bilsh on his own folder to get him in his rape! He gets me in dot trouble to hat some un Sergeant?

Well

If some policeman passes my coffee years ago and shrieks out hello, I hit him und he runs in. I have some solemn holy to perform by dot boy Shake. If I don't shtop him in vhile he shas down a gallows und long five und half hours.

NEWSPAPER OPINION

New York Herald.—The trouble with Postmaster General [illegible] is that he stood with his back to the setting sun and was deceived by the length of his shadow.

New York Star.—The new of the administration shall approach that of the Sage of Cody stone the better it will be for the people of this state, as well as for the political future of Governor Hill.

Brooklyn Eagle.—There is no occasion for despondency on account of the president's opinion of newspapers. The soil of the united is naturally fertile, and with a little more tillage it will show a better growth.

New York World.—The democrats will naturally resist the petition and admission of Dakota simply because it will give the republicans at once a new state and will add three electoral votes in the next presidential contest to the republican column.

Philadelphia Telegraph.—What does President Cleveland care for a party which cannot give him a single electoral vote, which cannot elect a single national state, or county officer in Pennsylvania or Philadelphia? In the case of Mr. Randall, the man is infinitely greater than the party, and for the president to make the party his precedent would be equal to his rejecting the man and electing the horse.

THE GIRARD ESTATE

An Institution of which Philadelphians Feel Proud.

Philadelphia Times

The annual statement of the Girard trust, which is published in accordance with Girard's will is always interesting, and never more so than this year, when the income of so many estates has been reduced. The capital of the residuary fund is given at $10,549,917, which is about $200,000 more than it figures given last year, showing that the estate itself has not suffered diminution, and the gross receipts, $1,69,228, are but $80,000 less than in 1884. This in itself is evidence of the careful management of the trust.

The gross receipts are about 8 per cent of the capital. Of this total $217,77 was expended in the maintenance of the estate, more than one half of which was paid in taxes. The Girard estate contributed thus in a few dollars less than $90,000 to the general expenses of Philadelphia, besides its direct contribution in work performed which must otherwise be done by the municipality. After deducting taxes and the cost of improvements, repairs and maintenance there remained net income of about three quarters of a million or between 6 and 7 per cent upon the entire capital. Out of this $[illegible] was devoted to the support of Girard college and some two hundred thousand remained

There are now 1,127 boys in the college, or nearly the same number as a year ago, the capacity of the present building having been reached. It is questionable whether the number can soon be extended very much further. The trustees have been doing what is better than this—they have been extending the educational facilities of the college so as to provide a wider and more practical training for boys, especially in manual industry. The average expenditure for each pupil last year was $372 86, which includes not only board and lodging as well as instruction, but clothing all other necessary expenses, upon a simple and generous scale. There is probably no institution of its kind in the world with a more satisfactory record in every way than that of Girard college. It is one of the institutions of which Philadelphians can reasonably feel proud.

Prohibition in the South

Philadelphia Press (Rep.)

The advance guard of Northern prohibitionists is on its way South already to assist the prohibitionists in that section in fight ng the rum power. Two of them passed through Baltimore Wednesday and were given a reception, at which speeches were made. Prof. A. Hopkins, prohibition candidate for governor of New York three years ago, in his remarks said: "We have no objections to the Democratic party as such, and I should prefer to preserve our domestic hearths, and we ask the Southern democrats to meet us half way on that platform." It is evident that the Southern prohibitionists are in earnest and that they will give the Southern democracy more trouble than the Northern republicans have suffered from the same cause. If they are destined to be the instrument for rending the solid south and aiding in the establishment of an honest ballot box in that section, every fair-minded man will bid them "God speed."

A Cry for Political Discussion in the South

Nashville American (Dem.)

Sectional and race prejudices have, in the main, swayed political parties in the South. As a consequence, the young generation of democrats have not been educated and schooled in politics by high public discussions, as their fathers were. But the time has come when the young men should be able to state the reasons for their faith—to tell why they are republicans or why they are democrats.

The Yakima Signal says "the mugwump is his own boss." Yes, but who has he to "boss?" So is a man lost in the desert or mountains "his own boss."—Salt Lake Tribune.

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